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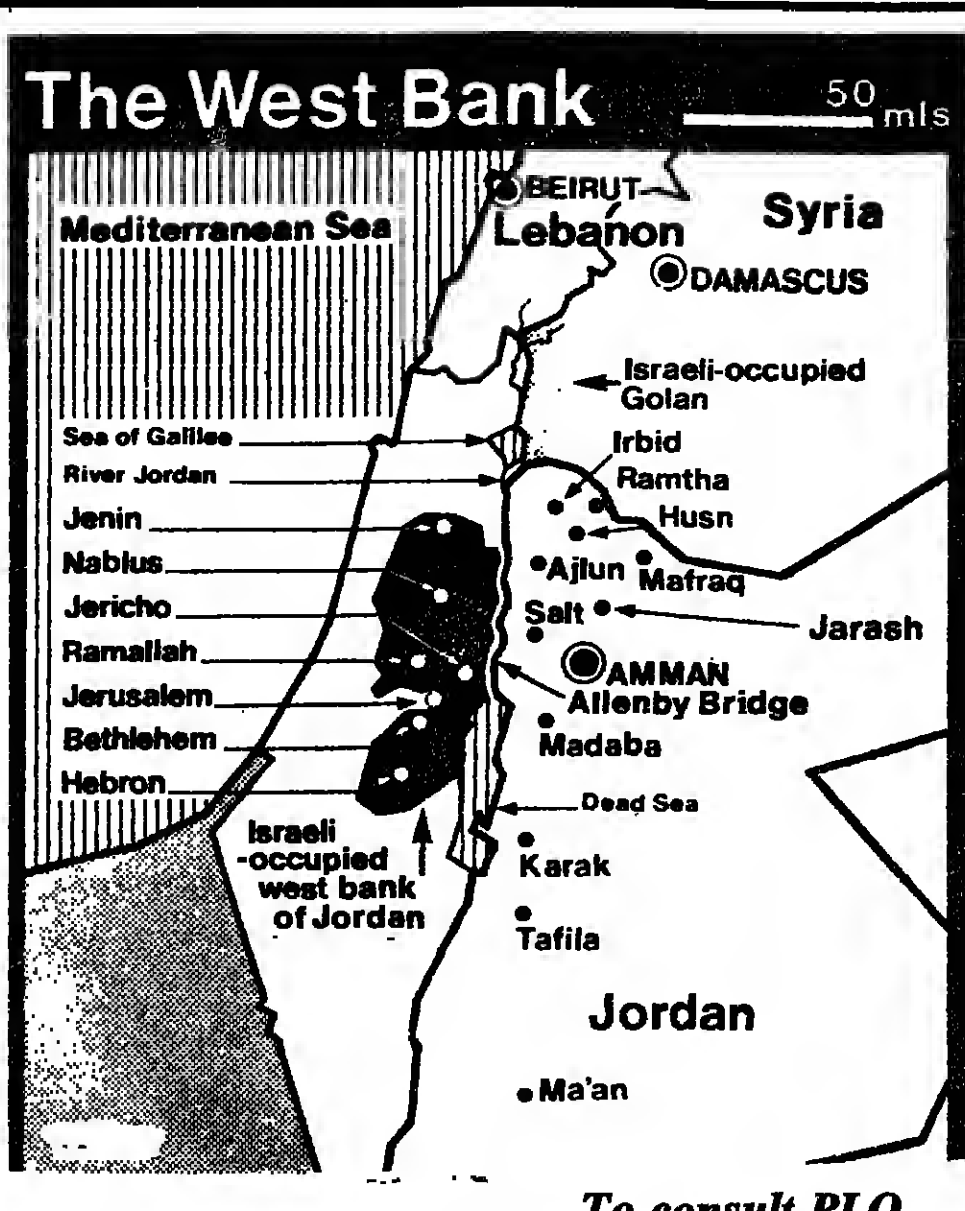
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## Iranians warn of stopping all Gulf oil

NICOSIA, Sept. 3 (AP) — Iran warned Friday that if it were to become deprived of its income from oil, the whole of Europe would be deprived of all Gulf oil.  
"People of the West should know that if Iran is ever deprived of its income from oil — not by Iraq which cannot do, but by the United States or others — the whole of Europe will be deprived of Gulf oil," said Hashemi Rafsanjani, a close aide of Ayatollah Khomeini.  
His warning came during a Friday congregational prayer at the Grand Mosque of Tehran. A summary was distributed by the official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored here. Rafsanjani did not elaborate, but his words were interpreted as a threat to undermine the smooth flow of crude oil from other Gulf states to Western markets.  
Rafsanjani also said that recent Iraqi attacks on the Kharg Island were carried out by surface-to-surface rockets and not by warplanes. Iraq on Aug. 17 said its jet fighters overflew the Gulf waters near the Iranian oil terminal of Kharg, 250 kilometers south of the oil refining center of Abadan. The aircraft hit no tankers, then.  
Rafsanjani complained about foreign news agencies and Western mouthpieces, that "exaggerated the Kharg attack and made look like an air raid." But the official Iraqi news agency on Aug. 25 said its warplanes raided Kharg and "scored direct and effective hits" on its oil installations. A few days later, the Iraqis reported another "air attack" on the island.



## As Peres defies Begin Israel deeply split over Reagan plan

TEL AVIV, Sept. 3 (Agencies) — A national split opened in Israel as the opposition Labor Party, defying Prime Minister Menachem Begin's policy, declared Friday its support for President Reagan's peace proposals and vowed to campaign for their acceptance.  
"I believe the American decision is a proper step in the right direction," said Labor Party leader Shimon Peres. "We are going to put our case before the people... I do believe we are beginning now a national debate of the utmost importance for the future of Israel, peace and the Middle East."  
Labor, with 50 seats, is the largest faction in the 120-member parliament. Begin's Likud Bloc has 46 seats and rules in coalition with four small factions. It was the first time an Israeli government has failed to rally the mainstream opposition behind it in the midst of a major foreign policy crisis.  
The government has strongly rejected Reagan's proposals, calling them a deviation from the Camp David accords of 1978 which Israel regards as the only framework for peace efforts. It has called the initiative a prelude to a PLO-led state in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.  
Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir said he was sure most Israelis and Jews abroad would support this stand. "Our answer to Reagan is negative, and that's what matters," he said. At a press conference, Peres said his party would call for a special Knesset session to discuss the Reagan plan for promoting "a nationwide debate". Acknowledging that certain aspects of the plan — which called for a freeze on Israeli settlements in the West Bank and Gaza and a role for Jordan in the peace process — were unacceptable to Israel, Peres said it was still "a good basis for negotiation. We do not need a peace plan. What we need is a starting position," he said.  
Peres added that he had reason to believe that Jordan had already accepted the plan and was now prepared to participate in the peace process begun with the signing of the Camp David accords in 1978. He said that when he was in Washington recently, Reagan had personally expressed his conviction "that Jordan would be the second Arab nation to sign for peace with Israel."  
In general, Peres said, the Arab world was coming around to "living with the existence of Israel, understanding that Israel is no longer an object to be destroyed." Peres said that if he were prime minister, he would tell Reagan there were parts of his plan which he accepted and parts that were "controversial" and needed discussion. "Our approach is not that of a lawyer, but of a client," he said. "Until now, I believe, most of the negotiations were done by lawyers without having the proper clients. By having Jordan come in, we have an Arab client with whom we can discuss the problem seriously."  
Peres confirmed that there are major similarities between the ideas outlined by Reagan and the Labor Party's peace plan, known as the Jordanian option. "If the Labor plan was able to influence President Reagan even a little bit, it can only be positive for us," he said.  
Begin's spokesman, Uri Porat, dismissed Peres' remarks.

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## Gold hits \$458

LONDON, Sept. 3 (AP) — Gold prices soared to nearly a 12-month high over \$450 an ounce Friday on worries over world banking stability. The metal finished in Europe at its highest level since Sept. 23. The dollar weakened on key foreign exchanges.  
Bullion dealers said the buying rush was a move away from money market investment to the safety of gold, amid fears of further bank nationalizations in Latin America after Wednesday's takeover of private banks in Mexico.  
It was feared some commercial banks could collapse if nations start defaulting on international obligations. Gold rocketed to \$458.50 a troy ounce in both Zurich and London, its highest level since Sept. 23, 1981, when it was worth \$461.50 in London and \$463.50 in Zurich. But the price fell back in the Swiss center in late trading to close at \$452.50, up from \$411.375 Thursday and \$417.75 Friday.

## To consult PLO Jordan lauds plan's 'positive points'

AMMAN, Sept. 3 (Agencies) — Jordan welcomed Friday "some positive points" in U.S. President Ronald Reagan's Middle East peace proposals, pledging to study the blueprint in consultation with the Palestine Liberation Organization.  
A government spokesman told reporters that Jordan also was to obtain official Arab reaction to the Reagan plan. The spokesman underscored the "necessity" of consulting with the PLO. The commando movement is the sole representative of the Palestinian people.  
He explained that Jordan's attitude was in line with a 1974 Arab summit resolution in Rabat, Morocco, making the PLO the only Palestinian organization recognized by the Arabs and stressing that no Middle East solution will be acceptable to them if the PLO was ignored.  
Official sources said Jordan will send its official reaction to Washington after the Reagan plan is discussed by the forthcoming Arab summit conference, scheduled for next Monday in Fez, Morocco.  
Jordan's two leading newspapers meanwhile welcomed the Reagan plan, with the pro-government daily *Al-Rai* editorializing "the American president spoke a new language which may open a new era for a just peace." "But there are some negative points (in the plan) that call for clarification and dialogue with Reagan," said the paper.  
*Al-Rai* and the newspaper *Ad-Dustour* listed six remarks on which they based their welcome of the Reagan proposals:  
— That Reagan made it clear that the United States rejects annexation of territory by force.  
— That he recognizes the Palestinian question as one of a homeland and not of refugees.  
— That he invites negotiations on peace and territory.  
— That he rejects Israel's allegations about its lack of secure borders.  
— That he rejects Israel's practice of setting up settlements on Arab territory.  
— That he refuses Israel's insistence on making occupied Jerusalem its capital.  
Clearly, the papers were not quoting the American president but were merely expressing how their editorialists evaluated the Reagan plan.  
The two papers also wrote, each in its own words, that Reagan will have to impose his peace plan on the Israelis, who Thursday declared their rejection of it. "Reagan has in the future a bitter battle with (Israeli Prime Minister) Menachem Begin," said *Ad-Dustour*. "If the Arabs accept the plan in its entirety, then it will be up to Reagan to impose it on Israel."  
In Damascus, the Syrian government of President Hafez Assad continued to ignore the Reagan plan. "The (Reagan) project is still being studied," said one government official. "However, Syria has a clear and well-defined policy regarding the Camp David accords and all the consequences of these accords."

## Reagan said firm on M.E. initiative

TEL AVIV, Sept. 3 (AP) — U.S. Defense Secretary Casper Weinberger said President Ronald Reagan has no intention of changing his proposals for Middle East peace announced Wednesday after "extensive" examination.  
Weinberger made the statement after a meeting here Friday with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir. "President Reagan is a man who weighs high decisions very carefully and looks very thoroughly" before adopting new ideas, the U.S. official said.  
He described the plan, which calls for autonomy for Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip in association with Jordan, as a "plan with deep implications." The Israeli government Thursday unanimously rejected Reagan's initiative and said it could not form the basis for negotiations.  
Weinberger indicated there was support elsewhere in Israel for the plan, saying: "There are different people in this country with other ideas. One could not say everybody is against it." He said the United States still was awaiting reaction throughout the Middle East but added, "Reagan will not modify his plan." The defense secretary left for Cairo on the third leg of his visit to the region after Lebanon and Israel.  
Support for Weinberger's view came from Israel's main opposition Labor Party, which welcomed the proposals as a positive move and said they represented a fair basis for discussion.

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## Gemayel to boost Israel ties

TEL AVIV, Sept. 3 (Agencies) — Lebanese President-elect Bashir Gemayel who met Israeli Prime Minister Wednesday night had promised to strengthen ties with Israel, Israeli Radio claimed Friday, though Gemayel's office in Beirut denied Friday that the meeting had taken place.  
At the secret meeting, Begin is reported to have chastised him for distancing himself from Israel in public statements, Israeli radio said.  
It said Begin met with Gemayel Wednesday night. The daily *Haaretz* said the Israeli premier left the hotel in Nabariya near the Lebanese truces where he was vacationing and disappeared for several hours. The reports did not say where the two met.  
Begin's spokesman, Uri Porat, declined to comment on the reports. The radio said Begin criticized Gemayel and expressed concern that the Lebanese leader was repudiating his friendship with Israel.

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## Indian press observes protest strike

NEW DELHI, Sept. 3 (AP) — Typewriters, teleprinters and presses fell silent across India Friday as journalists and newspaper workers went on a 24-hour strike to protest adoption of a controversial press control law in Bihar state.  
The nation's two major news agencies joined the strike, but the government-run All India Radio continued to broadcast news. Its reports centered mainly on international events and did not mention the work stoppage.  
Prime Minister Indira Gandhi earlier this week spurned appeals to direct President Zail Singh to withhold consent for the law to take effect in Bihar, where the legislature enacted it Aug. 3. Mrs. Gandhi noted that two other states, Tamil Nadu and Orissa, already have similar laws. She said the Bihar bill is not directed against respectable journals but against "rag" that assassinate character.  
The law provides for jailing journalists for up to five years for publishing or profiting from stories or photos deemed "grossly indecent, scurrilous or intended to blackmail." It does not define its terms, however, and would permit even minor judicial officials to try to sentence journalists.  
The Editors Guild of India has charged that the law's real purpose is to "intimidate and frighten" the media from reporting wrong-doing in Bihar, generally regarded as the most corrupt of India's 22 states.  
Large advertisements placed by the Bihar State Director of Information and Public Relations appeared in major morning newspapers Friday, defending the law and opposing the strike.

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## 8,000 abandoned cars removed from Jeddah

JEDDAH, Sept. 3 — More than 8,000 wrecked or abandoned cars have been towed away within the last year with cars being deposited at a fenced-in area five kilometers from town by two firms representing the municipality.

"We have a large fence erected there to



Wahib Attar

keep the cars safe, but we have not yet decided what to do with them," Dr. Muhammad Ali Kattan, deputy mayor of Jeddah told Saudi Business. He added that the municipality is not indiscriminately removing the cars.

"It is only wrecked cars that are removed," he said. "But if we find that a car has been abandoned for a long time and it is already dirty, with flat tires and so on, then we write

"damaged" on it and wait for a month. After that, if the car has not been taken away or claimed, we remove it."

The Hisham Corp. — a local firm — has been on contract since last year to dispose of broken down or abandoned vehicles. No payment is involved: in return for its service, Hisham Corp. has the right to do whatever it likes with the cars.

The company normally sells the cars in the Kingdom or abroad. In addition, the company agreed to supply the municipality with 200 three-wheeled cars for cleaning. Until last week, Hisham Corp. had already taken away about 6,000 cars, according to Wahib M. Attar, general manager of the cleaning department Jeddah Municipality. The firm's contract is to last two years.

The other company that is involved in keeping the city clear of wrecked and abandoned cars is Arabian Cleaning Enterprises (ACE), a subsidiary of Waste Management International of the United States. Its five-year SR1.3 billion contract began last year and includes maintenance of roads in the city as well as over-all cleaning responsibilities. ACE had removed about 2,000 cars by last week, according to Essan Merdan, chairman of the municipality's technical committee.

According to the municipality, the wrecked and abandoned cars are unsightly and make streets narrower. But removing them has also presented problems for the municipality.

"We have had many problems from cleaning streets of these cars," Merdan said.

### Two budgets commission 44 new mosques

MADINAH, Sept. 3 (SPA) — A total of 31 mosques valued at SR22 million were commissioned under the outgoing financial year in Madinah, Tabuk, Ota, Yanbu, Amlaj, Wajh, Dayba, Mahd, Khaibar, Hanakeyyah, Ais, Wadie Far'e and Hasw.

Assaad Hamzah Shira, Madinah's endowments director, said the endowments projects under the current financial year number 13 and will cost SR7 million. They include the demolition of old mosques and their replacement by new ones. Some 20 mosques were renovated at the cost of SR3 million.

Moreover, a number of national firms were awarded contracts totaling SR2 million a year for the maintenance and cleanliness of 50 mosques.

The necessary arrangements have been made and the means mobilized to ensure maximum efficiency to the committees entrusted to follow up the maintenance and cleanliness operations. The committees' jurisdiction also covers archaeological sites and historical places visited by the pilgrims. A special camp will be set up on the endowments' department ground, at Abar Ali, to service the pilgrims.

### Prayer Times

	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Bersidrah	Tabuk
Saturday						
Fajr (Dawn)	4:40	4:39	4:10	3:55	4:20	4:48
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:20	12:21	11:52	11:39	12:03	12:33
Asr (Afternoon)	3:45	3:49	3:21	3:09	3:33	4:05
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:36	6:38	6:10	5:58	6:22	6:53
Isha (Night)	8:06	8:08	7:40	7:28	7:52	8:23

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### MWL session opens today

MAKKAH, Sept. 3 (SPA) — The 24th session of the Constituent Council of the Muslim World League (MWL) will open here Saturday.

The secretary-general of the organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) Habib Chatti, the head of the Scientific Research and Islamic Ruling Propagation and Guidance Departments and Council Chairman

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Abdul-Aziz Bin Baz and the Secretary-General of the MWL Muhammad Ali Al-Harkan will address the meeting. A presentation sent to the conference by Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat will also be read.

The MWL secretariat report will be reviewed before the formation of various committees.

### Technical issues on GCC agenda

MANAMA, Sept. 3 (SPA) — A meeting of electricity under-secretaries of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) member states will be held here soon to discuss a number of technical issues. The two-day preparatory meeting will be followed by others to draw up an agenda for the GCC ministers of water and electricity conference to be held later.

### SAPTCO trains in U.K.

Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, Sept. 3 — The Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) will soon be sending a group of 20 management trainees to the Britain to undertake the second phase of seven-to-10 week of training in materials — management and authorizations management with the National Bus Company, according to M.A. Khatani, manager of public relations.

These trainees completed 17 weeks of intensive English language and management training recently in Jeddah with Larsen and Nielsen Saudi Arabia Ltd. (Lansa).

These trainees, Khatani said will later be

stationed throughout the Kingdom to help

expand and streamline SAPTCO services. He told Arab News that SAPTCO will be connecting the Red Sea coast to the Arabian Gulf with the inauguration of daily non-stop Riyadh-Taif service Saturday Sept. 4. The service which will start from near the Riyadh Airport at 18.00 hours (6 p.m.) will reach SAPTCO terminal in Taif at 04.30 hours (4.30 a.m.). There will be a similar service from Taif to Riyadh everyday. The service has restroom and drinking water facilities provided with air conditioned comfort.

With this vital link, he said, one can travel from Dammam on the Arabian Gulf to Jeddah on the Red Sea by SAPTCO bus.

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Middle East region. It made no direct reference to the Reagan plan.

Azizi's visit, said the agency, was in keeping with Iran's policy of consulting with friends of the Islamic Republic and with countries that "confront the United States and Israeli machinations." It said that Iran and its friends resolved to "cut off the hands of these American and Zionist criminals in the region."

"Azizi's talks will explore joint means for Syria and the Islamic Republic to foil U.S. and Zionist (Israeli) conspiracies."

Hailing Reagan's new Mideast peace initiative as "positive" and "courageous," the mass-circulation Al-Akbar of Cairo Friday called on Arab leaders to "invest" it for the sake of the Arab and Palestinian cause.

"The initiative perhaps does not fully meet Arab hopes for achieving a comprehensive Middle East settlement, and perhaps it may not fulfill all the rights we are seeking, but it is a positive initiative by the main ally of Israel," the government-controlled newspaper said.

"For this reason," Arab heads of state who are scheduled to meet later this month in Morocco, are "required to forget differences and overbidding to objectively study the initiative and come out with a binding unified stand," the paper said in its main editorial. The paper called Reagan's initiative "an important turning point" in the U.S. Middle East policy and said it is "no less courageous than the initiative of late U.S. President Dwight Eisenhower during the Suez war."

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## Banawi Industrial Group diversifies activities

# Brain bank set up for Arab experts

By Suresh Shah  
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Sept. 3 — Challenging jobs for more than 300 talented and professional Arabs have been provided since last October by the Banawi Industrial Group, a young and dynamic Saudi Arabian corporation which created a "Brain Bank" with its goal to reverse the brain drain in the Arab world.

The "Brain Bank" includes a list of the names of 4,000 professionals throughout the world: physicians, engineers, nuclear physicists, economists and hundreds of other professional and technical fields.

One of the most sought after services offered is the recruiting of technical, professional and executive talent in the Middle East according to BIG's President and Chief Executive Officer Hussein A. Al-Banawi.

He told Arab News, in years past, a "brain drain" came into existence as a result of ambitious Arab professionals leaving their homeland because of limited opportunities available in private enterprise. Economic conditions have, however, changed and today there is a new emphasis on the private sector.

"There is a vital question being asked in the Kingdom, 'how can the private sector contribute most effectively to the development of the nation's economy while wisely preserving the traditions that make the Kingdom great?' Banawi said. "We at BIG are tapping the roots of Saudi Arabia's proud heritage to build steadily and surely a diversified corporation that grows as the nation grows."

To fulfill these ambitions, the group depends upon talented and knowledgeable people. "Not only we are participating in the rapidly expanding private sector, but we are creating unique opportunities for ambitious, aggressive and dedicated professionals to participate in the growth of our organization and thus the nation," Banawi said.

Money is available in the country, so it is important that the right type of people should be available to utilize it in a more fruitful way.

"A machine does not produce a bad product, it is the man, who produces a bad product, so without right type of people, one can not succeed," Banawi said.

BIG is a diversified corporation, with head quarters in Jeddah, and is privately held by the Banawi family, with Sheikh Ali M. Al-Banawi as the chairman of the board. The corporation's manufacturing and service operations are divided into six divisions:—

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In a bid to further diversify and broaden its activities, BIG intends to move in two different ways in new areas of business. First in the area of consumer food products, where ready-to-serve breakfast cereals will be made, and the second in household paper and plastic products. Both are expected to appear in Jeddah in two years, Banawi said.

There are major advantages for BIG to enter these new fields. Its financial base will expand to make the company much more immune to adversities of circumstances. The practical and immediate benefits of this diversification will make the company vertically integrated by placing the packaging divisions at the service of the new ventures, he added.

"The Human Resources Division—Brain Power, is unique," Banawi said. Its purpose is to increase organizational effectiveness and contribute to the continued success, profitability and growth of clients through human resource management. Brain Power's major goal is to bring a new dimension to the human resources function in organizations, which is accomplished by linking human resource program with corporate strategic planning.

The division provides counselling services

and expertise in organizational planning, human resource planning, executive recruiting, compensation and benefits programs, research activities and advanced management seminars. Its clients include major banks, hospitals, and leading construction, manufacturing and food organizations.

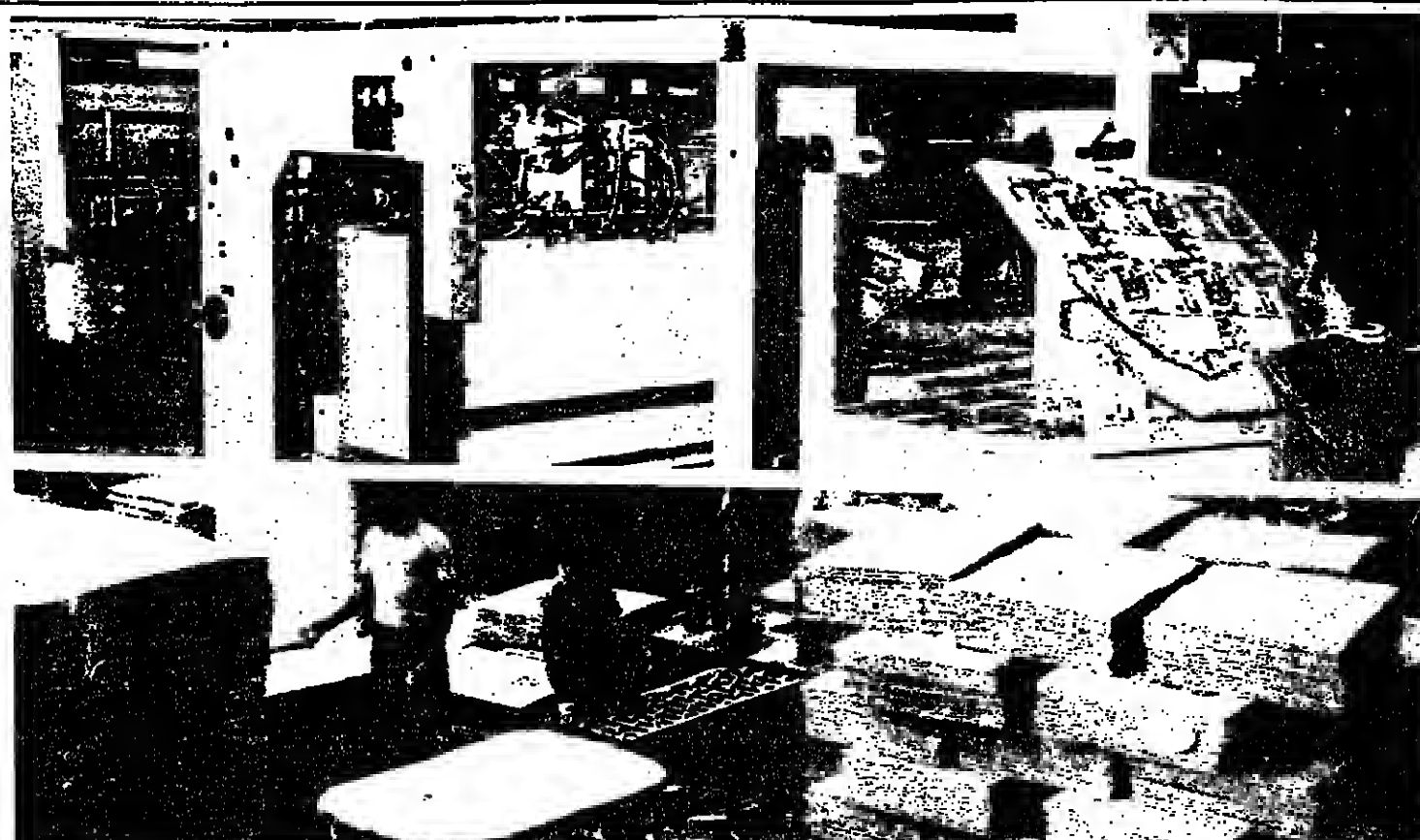
Under organizational planning, the Brain Power design structures provide a proper balance of control within client organizations, determine the span of authority that should exist and decide varying responsibilities that should be at work. Human resource planning includes the analysis and forecasting of staff and the development and implementation of performance management programs for improving overall productivity. Its executive recruiting offers the services of recruiting of technical, professional and executive talent in the Middle East.

The Brain Bank, set up under this division, is time and cost effective. Clients eliminate interviewing unqualified candidates.

"The division's responsibility does not stop once the candidate is selected nor once a series of workable recommendations are made," Banawi explained "but there is constant client follow-up and assistance until results are achieved."

Compensation and benefits programs include the creation of job evaluation systems and the development of base wage and salary structures. It also designs corporate incentive programs. Other services include evaluation and implementation of related compensation plans, such as medical and life insurance, pension and profit-sharing. Research activities include the development of a management and research library and active interchange with universities, educational institutions and private research centers.

Brain Power's advanced management



PACKAGING: Banawi Industrial Group is a pioneer in the packaging industry in the Kingdom. Section of their plants are shown above which cater to the growing need for fast expanding industrial development in Saudi Arabia.

seminars bring together business executives and professionals representing a wide variety of organizations from around the world. Carefully selected experts from numerous fields address business issues they know best. Each seminar, however, is devoted exclusively to one theme, such as marketing, banking, finance, economics, trade and international law.

One essential ingredient in BIG's success is the company's management approach. Banawi believes that professional management techniques should be applied throughout the company and a diversification

of divisions does not call for a variety of approaches to running them. The management system followed by the company is a combination of centralization and decentralization of decision making. Executives adhere to corporate leadership, while practicing a high degree of autonomy within their own spheres of business.

A special safeguard at BIG is the existence of operational task forces. These especially created committees consist of corporate executives and unit managers. They meet quarterly to deal with constant improvement of the corporation's working environment.

Such meetings encourage even greater cross-fertilization of executive ideas, which is considered essential for each executive to gain a better understanding of how other divisions operate.

"BIG believes that the executives and the corporation mutually benefit from such exposure and that the success of a corporation depends upon the strength of each of its parts," Banawi added.

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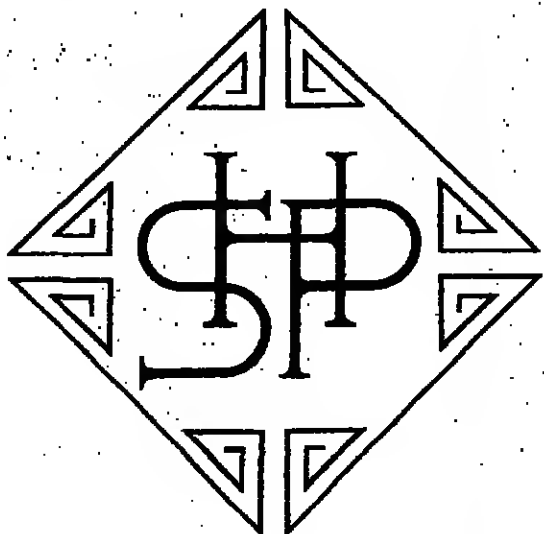
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## Putting peace plan in jeopardy

## Israelis advance into West Beirut

BEIRUT, Sept. 3 (AP) — Two incidents marred the quiet in West Beirut Friday and leftist Lebanese militiamen suddenly appeared on the streets with the guns and artillery they had agreed to give up only the day before. The militiamen deployed in reaction to Israeli troops moving their positions forward about 400 meters into West Beirut. About 100 meters from the new Israeli positions, a high-ranking French officer serving with United Nations forces was killed by a sniper.

Militiamen from the Mourabitoun faction, the largest force of leftist Lebanese who were allied with the Palestinians, walked along a seaside highway carrying rocket-propelled grenades and Soviet-designed Kalashnikov automatic rifles. "We will finish the job that the Palestinians didn't do," one said as he trudged along the roadway.

About a kilometer in the other side of the Israeli position, the leftist militiamen had set up checkpoints of the type that had begun to disappear, along with armed militiamen on the streets.

A militiaman carrying an automatic rifle and wearing a white sports shirt said: "The Israelis — they are coming. This is no good. We will fight them. This is not what it was supposed to be. It was supposed to be they stay on one side, we stay on the other. We will fight them."

## U.S. to give \$95m in relief aid

## Lebanon war damage put at billions

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 (R) — A leading U.S. aid official has said the United States planned to provide \$95 million in relief and rehabilitation assistance for Lebanon but said the country has suffered "billions" in damages since 1976.

Peter McPherson, head of the Agency for International Development (AID), gave the figures Thursday after visiting Beirut mainly to assess the toll of the Israeli-Palestinian fighting. His estimate of billions of dollars of damages also included losses during the country's 1976 civil war.

President Reagan said Wednesday night that with the completed evacuation of Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) fighters from Beirut, a U.S. goal was "to help the Lebanese rebuild their war-torn country."

Reagan originally proposed \$65 million for

Two explosions could be seen behind an earthen barricade across the roadway about 250 meters beyond the armed militiaman. The cause of them could not be determined, however.

An Israeli soldier at the point where his army had taken up its positions farther into West Beirut said that the Israelis had been setting off unexploded mines and had come to clear the roadways from barricades. "A tractor is coming," he said. "We are only clearing the road."

An Israeli officer carrying a photographic map of Beirut and a street map would not say why the men had moved forward. A spokesman at the Israeli headquarters at Baahda, east of Beirut, also refused to comment on the reason of the redeployment.

Several Israeli soldiers, armed with automatic weapons, were seen in foxholes dug into a huge mound of dirt overlooking the Sabra refugee camp that had been occupied by the Palestinian commandos before their evacuation.

More than a dozen Israeli troops could be seen there, and the Mourabitoun radio station, the "Voice of Arab Lebanon," said an Israeli infantry unit of 50 men had moved forward in armored vehicles, accompanied by a bulldozer. The radio said the Mourabitoun was ready to cope with "any Israeli aggressive intention."

The AID official said one of the pressing problems was to provide housing for about 60,000 Lebanese before the rainy season began later this month. McPherson said he had no estimates of the dead and wounded from Israel's weeks of shelling and bombing of Beirut. Some Lebanese estimates have put the dead at more than 10,000.

McPherson's accounting showed that some 40 nations so far had provided \$89.7 million ranging from more than \$2 million by such nations as Britain down to an unspecified "plane load of medicines" by the Soviet Union.

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The Israeli soldiers motioned back a crowd of youths who were trying to find out what was happening. Several of the teen-agers said they were Palestinians and did not believe the Israeli's story about clearing away barricades.

One said the Israelis had come to make sure the Palestinian commandos had really left, and another said he thought the Israelis were going to try to advance into the Sabra camp.

About 100 meters from the Israeli position is a four-story building containing the headquarters of United Nations forces in West Beirut. The building has been abandoned by the U.N. at various times during the past three months, and the French officer killed there Friday had come to inspect damage.

U.N. spokesman Samir Sanbar said the officer was shot in the left side while on the building's third floor at 1:30 p.m. (113GMT). A U.N. soldier who was there at the time said the French officer was the victim of a sniper.

"We really don't know why he was shot," Sanbar said. He added that U.N. officials also did not know who shot the Frenchman, whose name was being withheld until his family was notified.

About 45 minutes before the shooting, an Israeli soldier pointed to the U.N. building and called it "a sniper building."

The Israelis were still in their foxholes at the edge of the Sabra camp about three hours after the sniping. Scores of Lebanese militiamen could be seen walking down roadways toward the spot, and jeeps mounted with artillery pieces were parked along the roadway and behind buildings.

Meanwhile, machine gun and automatic rifle fire and grenade explosions echoed over the city throughout the night Thursday. Police said the clashes involved a Kurdish group and the Shiite militia Amal. Amal sources said their organization had lost one dead and three wounded in the fighting.

Even as the tension mounted, however, the process of returning Beirut continued in other parts of the city.

The international Red Cross announced that it had evacuated 71 wounded Palestinian commandos from Beirut. The commandos left for Athens, Greece, aboard the hospital ship *Flova*, which was made available by the West German Red Cross.

## Afghanistan Mujahedeen repulse major Soviet attack

LONDON, Sept. 3 (AP) — With world attention diverted by events in the South Atlantic, Lebanon and Poland, Soviet troops in Afghanistan have launched two major drives against freedom fighters, a resistance leader has said.

Maulana Gulam Haqani, head of relief work for the Afghan Mujahedeen resistance movement, told a news conference here Thursday that as many as 600 Soviet tanks participated in a June attack on anti-government forces in the strategic Panjsher Valley, about 40 kms north of Kabul, the Afghan capital.

Haqani said the attack, which he described as the highest tank and armored vehicle action since World War II, was repulsed.

Meanwhile, government and Soviet forces have begun an offensive in the Asmar region of northeast Afghanistan with air raids and an advance of armored columns, Haqani said.

"The West has forgotten Afghanistan," the resistance leader said. "Western attention has been attracted by the British-Argentine fight in the Falklands, by events in Poland, by what is happening between the Arabs and Israel in Lebanon. The Soviets are taking advantage of this to increase their military action."

Despite these offensives, the freedom fighters control 90 percent of the territory of Afghanistan and "are able to operate freely in Kabul," Haqani said.

Haqani urged Western and Muslim nations to increase their aid to the Mujahedeen. "The Afghan Mujahedeen are not fighting just for their own freedom," he said. "They are fighting for the freedom of the freeworld, to stop Soviet imperialism."

## PLO to discuss strategy

## Arafat arrives in Tunis

TUNIS, Sept. 3 (Agencies) — Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat arrived in Tunis Friday night, the Tunisian news agency reported. The Tunisian plane which carried the Palestinian leader and dozens of his closest aides landed at Tunis-Carthage Airport at 1640 GMT, it added.

Arafat, who arrived from Athens, is expected to provisionally settle down in Tunis following the withdrawal of the Palestinian commandos from Beirut under a U.S.-negotiated plan.

Arafat is also expected to meet with the PLO Central Committee about the Palestinians' future.

Earlier a senior aide in Athens said he thought Arafat would go on from Tunisia to the Arab League summit in Fez, Morocco. "It is our tradition to attend Arab summits," the aide said, asking not to be identified.

He said he thought George Habash, leader

of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) and Nayef Hawatmeh, who heads the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) were expected to be at the meeting along with the almost all the committee members.

Informed sources here said Saturday's Central Committee meeting would center on PLO participation at Fez, but was also likely to include discussion of the latest American proposals for peace in the Middle East. President Reagan called on Israel this week to end its policy of setting up Jewish settlements in occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip. He proposed eventual autonomy for the Palestinians there, possibly within a federation with Jordan.

The Central Committee meeting will also discuss the PLO attitude to Saudi and Tunisian peace proposals on the agenda of next week's summit.

## Qaddafi tells small states to quit U.N.

LONDON, Sept. 3 (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi has called on smaller countries to quit the United Nations while it "is being used for the benefit of America and Israel."

In a speech Thursday night marking the 13th anniversary of the Libyan Revolution, he said the United States was using its veto power in the U.N. Security Council "as a

whip...in the interest of the Israelis," the Libyan news agency Jana reported.

"If the U.N. is being used for the benefit of America and Israel, we should leave it at once. Many oppressed nations which are aware that the U.N. has become an instrument in the hands of America will follow our example," he added.

## BRIEFS

RABAT, (R) — The Moroccan government Friday began taking a census to determine the country's population growth, said to be among the world's highest at 3.2 percent a year. It will be the third census since independence in 1956 and for the first time it will cover the sparsely-populated Western Sahara, the former Spanish colony taken over by Morocco in 1976. At the last census in 1971 the total population was 15.3 million.

BANGKOK, (AFP) — Thailand is considering a request by the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to set up an office here, the Thai Foreign Ministry said Friday. The ministry's spokesman, Jern Sucharitkul, dismissed questions of possible opposition pres-

sure from third countries, saying the request would be considered in the light of Thailand's national interests.

BEIRUT, (AFP) — The Lebanese cabinet has accepted the resignation of Lebanese United Nations representative Ghassan Tuani. Tuani, who handed in his resignation to President Elias Sarkis last month, has represented Lebanon at the U.N. since 1977.

ANKARA, (AP) — The Soviet Union has expressed "regret" over a border incident which resulted in the deaths of two Turkish soldiers, a foreign ministry spokesman disclosed Friday. He said the Soviet message was relayed to the foreign ministry by the Russian charge d'affaires in Ankara.

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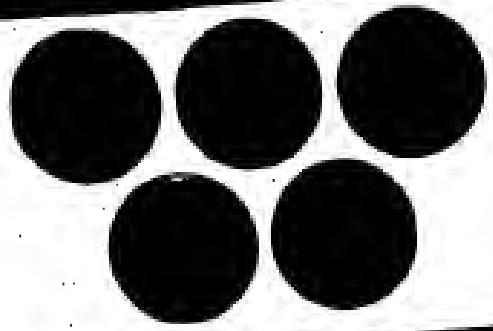
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## CAUTIOUS REACTION

Apart from Syria, the Arab governments have so far reserved comments on the new Reagan plan for the Middle East.

Just as well. The plan has a number of interesting aspects which should be carefully studied with an open mind and with respect because it is the first time that an American president has come out with a frank and relatively fair evaluation of the Palestinian problem. The Palestinians are no longer refugees or a "bunch of terrorists" that Reagan, the presidential candidate, once called them.

Now they are being recognized as homeless people yearning for a homeland they can call their own. This they want to be in a piece of Palestine which has been taken over by European Jews with the help of the West.

This is a major transformation of official American policy taken against the wishes and policies of Israel. It should be welcomed for all it is worth and outright rejection of the proposals, because they contain one or two unacceptable clauses, will be a pity.

The entire package will certainly form the major subject on the agenda of the forthcoming Arab summit due to be held in Morocco next week. It will be interesting to see what the leaders will do in the aftermath of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, the massacre of Palestinians and Lebanese and the departure of the Palestinian fighters and the Syrians from Beirut.

The Palestinians are, of course, the ones most directly concerned with the proposals with Jordan as the country to exercise sovereignty in the West Bank and Gaza, assuming that Israelis will agree to withdraw from the areas without a fight. So, it is the Palestinian leadership that has the final say.

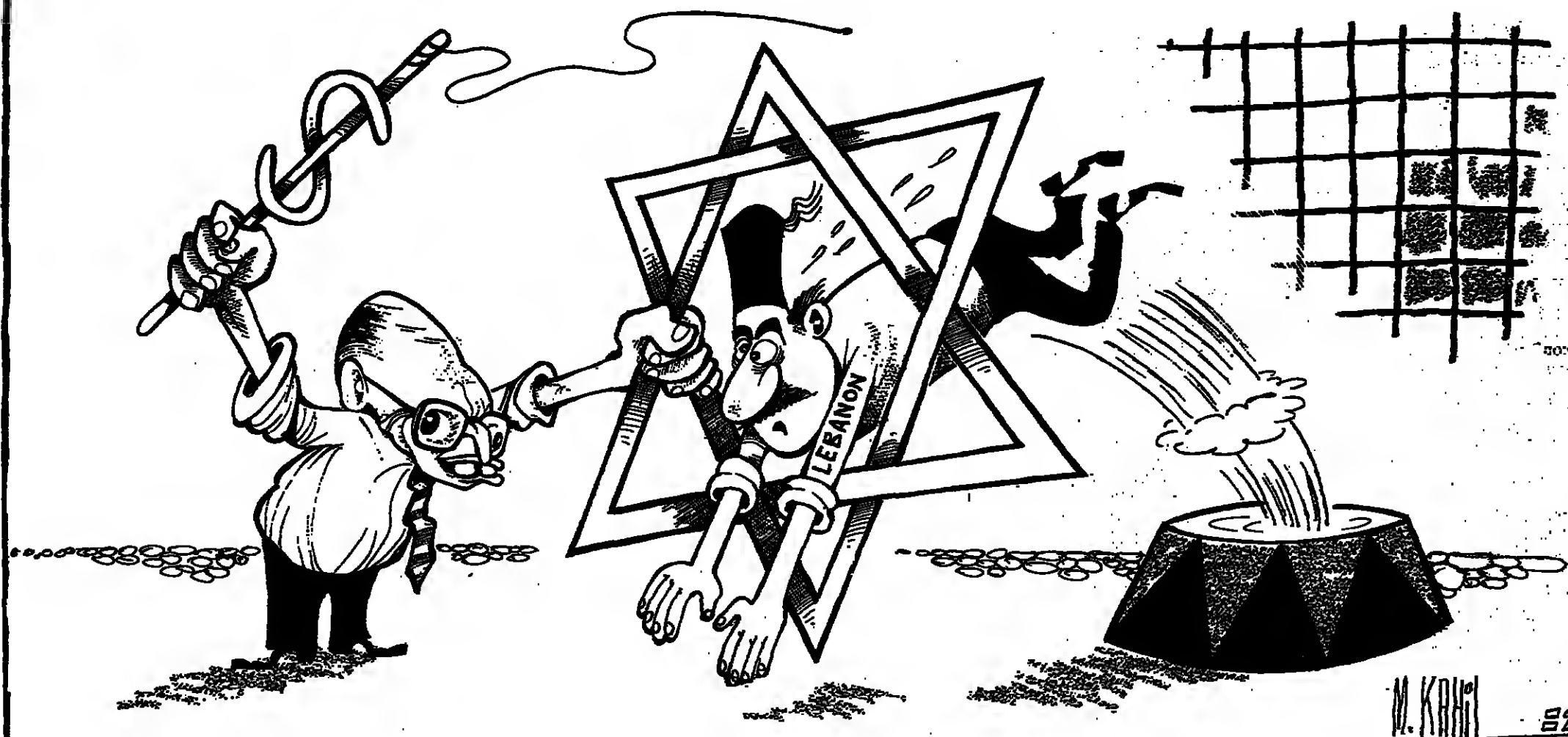
But before doing so, the Palestinian leadership must be reorganized with a view to strengthening it and uniting all the principal groups under the PLO umbrella, effectively and not only theoretically. All the armed groups should be also united and made answerable to the central authority so that any decision taken with regard to the Reagan plan will have a stamp of unanimity and authority.

The Reagan plan strongly implies that the West Bank and Gaza will be home to all the Palestinians inside and outside original Palestine. This will mean that even those who have chosen to settle in the U.S. and Europe and South America as well as those living temporarily in some other countries, will be able to go back home.

This is a good step forward as the liberated lands will beckon the homeless to return thus forming a focal point for Palestinians in a piece of Palestine. Jordan annexed the territory in the 1948 Arab-Israeli war and made it a part of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan when the Arabs would not agree on the creation of a Palestinian state. With 1.5 million already there, the population should easily swell to three million in a few years and the people may then continue the struggle for statehood. It may take time but the dream will eventually be realized.

Jordan has already noticed the "positive" sides of the proposals because they include the return of the occupied territories to it which it cannot regain otherwise.

The PLO and Jordan should be left to decide the ultimate response to the proposals. The other Arab states can only help from the sidelines.



## World press reacts favorably to Reagan's plan

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Following are some press comments on U.S. President Ronald Reagan's peace plan for the Middle East.)

### New York

Excerpts from a New York Times editorial: "(U.S.) President Reagan's formula for new Arab-Israeli negotiations is reasonable and well-timed. Israel's rejection is lamentable but not unchangeable. The Begin government prefers to seize the West Bank rather than this propitious moment for diplomacy. But Israel's position and politics can change, if... and here is the crucial Reagan gamble... the Arab League openly recognizes Israel and offers to negotiate a gradual exchange of security arrangements for release of most of the territory."

"...Far from betraying the Camp David accords, Mr. Reagan aims to restore the promise that Begin drained for them. It is true that they never defined 'full autonomy' in the West Bank and Gaza or prohibited Israeli settlements there... and since the West Bank's ultimate sovereignty was to be decided only in five years... and in concert with the Jordanians and the Palestinians... their is nothing dishonorable about seeking a freeze in a settlement policy that plainly forecloses Arab claims, or even partition."

"...Stripped to essentials, the Reagan plan is an appeal to the Arab world to make peace with Israel at last... and a promise that if it will reject the radicalism of the PLO, America will throw its weight against the annexations in Israel. It is a good beginning and the Arab League summit conference next week can make it better."

### London

Extracts from British editorials.

**The Times (Independent):** "President Reagan's new Middle East initiative is the best and most hopeful foreign policy move to come out of his administration. It is well timed and well considered and about as near to the feasible as it is possible to get at this stage. It is a great improvement on Mr. Reagan's earlier dreams of getting the Arabs and Jews to forget their quarrel by turning to face the Soviet threat. It also marks a step forward from Camp David in that although the basic approach is the same it reaches out more deliberately for wider Arab agreement. It deserves warm support from America's allies as from the Middle East itself."

**The Guardian (Liberal):** "Mr. Reagan... has committed himself to an excellent, if theoretical program which is designed to win the support of Arab rulers, especially those who look toward Washington. It is also an ambitious program... if there is an movement toward any of the requirements on Mr. Reagan's list he is going to look slightly ineffectual. Mr. Reagan must find Mr. Begin's position enviable in comparison. Mr. Begin

has no world strategy to carry out, no foreign rulers to appease, no rival superpower to outflank. All he has to do is to hang on to the West Bank. With the Arab world at its customary sizes and sevens, with the PLO fighting machine defeated, with the Soviet Union disinclined to get involved, and with a staunch electorate behind him, what is to stop him holding on to the West Bank? nothing. He has access to Reagan's nine."

**The Daily Telegraph (Conservative):** "President Reagan's new proposals for tackling the Palestinian problem bear very much the stamp of a mainly-public relations exercise... The Reagan administration is in a cleft stick... It is not, in a real sense, able to control Israel, since the only measure it could take to do so effectively would have to be drastic that they would imperil Israel's existence. Mr. Reagan's proposals call for 'immediate adoption of a settlement freeze' in the West Bank. Mr. Begin's government announced after a cabinet meeting that its settlement policy will continue. What can it do about that? The short answer is, nothing. Cuts here and there in arms or aid would make no difference. The Reagan proposals should be seen as a quite laudable effort to rally Arab opinion, by moving some way further than hitherto toward recognizing Palestinian rights... but the central proposal of 'self-government by the Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza in association with Jordan' is unattainable in present conditions, given Israel's attitude. It might be attainable in the distant future, but not now."

**The Financial Times (Independent):** "President Reagan's statement on the Middle East is to be welcomed, not least because it represents the U.S. administration's first major attempt to formulate a policy which addresses itself to the very heart of successive crises in the region... as a basis for discussion and negotiation the Reagan statement does represent an important step in American Middle East policy which should be built on by the Palestinians and Israel's Arab neighbors. The administration should be given the time and the encouragement to demonstrate how assiduously it plans to pursue its initiative. Above all, it must be prepared to use its leverage on Israel."

### Moscow

**Komsomolskaya Pravda**, published by the Communist Youth League, said: "The Zionists attacked Lebanon when inter-Arab differences reached their highest point. The split was started by the late Egyptian President Sadat, who signed in 1979 a separate peace treaty with Israel in return for Israel's promise to return (the) Sinai peninsula... 'The inter-Arab split has been further deepened by the almost two-year-old Iraqi-Iranian war. Some Arab countries support in the conflict Iraq while others side with Iran. It is precisely because of that as well as many other differences that until now, although almost three months have passed since the

start of the Israeli aggression in Lebanon, that an inter-Arab summit meeting" has not been convened to draw up a common position.

It compared the Israelis to the Nazis — and said that just as history has been merciless to the "one-thousand year Reich" it will show no mercy to the Israelis.

### Oslo

Excerpts from Norwegian editorial comments: **Arbeiderbladet** (Labor Party) said: Reagan's speech was positive. "And it was high time that we got a clarification of the U.S. policy in the Arab-Israeli conflict. The question now is how Israel's legitimate concern for its own security can be combined with the legitimate rights of the Palestinians. The answer can only be found at the negotiation table, and there each party must realize that the outcome must be acceptable for all and that to obtain real peace demands concessions by all parties." **Arbeiderbladet** said.

**Aftenposten** (independent, conservative-leaning), said, "Reagan's peace plan confirms that a new situation has arisen in the Middle East as a result of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon and the expulsion of PLO from Beirut."

"Reagan's peace proposal is noteworthy of several reasons, not least because he stakes both his own and the United States' prestige on a plan he knows will be controversial. It has reportedly triggered a shockwave in Israeli government circles, where Reagan is considered as a friend who failed them in a difficult time. No wonder that the relations between Tel Aviv and Washington will be cooler. No other American president has explained as clearly as Ronald Reagan their view on Israeli and Palestine rights in the Middle East."

"He tries to balance between the security rights of Israel and the legitimate rights of the Palestinians. But he leaves no doubt about his view that Israel is on a path which may lead to a collision with the United States if the occupation of the West Bank of Jordan and the Gaza Strip continues and the Israeli settlements there are expanded." **Aftenposten** said.

### New Delhi

Excerpts from editorial comment in the pro-government **National Herald** newspaper: "In the United States, political support is at its lowest and the leaders of Israel have realized the limits of what an armed conflict can achieve. Ground is therefore ripe for the PLO and its friends to push the Americans into honoring their commitment to the second phase of the Camp David accords and arrive at a negotiated settlement on the question of autonomy for (the) West Bank and Gaza as a first step."

"Moves could then be initiated for complete independence to these areas, now under Israeli occupation. The time to initiate these moves could be the Arab summit meeting starting in Fez (Morocco) on Monday."

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

Friday's newspapers welcomed with reservation and caution the Middle East peace proposals presented by U.S. President Reagan on Wednesday, saying they constituted a new American stand which should be carefully considered by the upcoming Arab summit.

**Al-Jazirah** said, "The clear ideas expressed by Reagan on the Palestine problem reflect a new American stand on the Arab-Israeli conflict characterized with moderation, a stand different from any previous American attitude toward the issue."

"But it is still early to assess these ideas and evaluate the new American position," it added. "An accurate Arab evaluation of Reagan's ideas makes it necessary for Arab leaders at the coming Fez summit to embark first on a deeper evaluation of the current Arab situation which reached an extremely serious phase depicting division, weakness and confusion," it said.

**Al-Jazirah** said the Arabs should above all concentrate on reestablishing their unity and agree on utilizing all their resources "so as to be ready to move on all regional and international levels."

It said that the future of the Palestine cause now solely rested with Arab leaders due to meet at Fez "after the PLO played an extremely important role by convincing certain world leaders, headed by the American president himself, that the Palestine cause is the crux of the Middle East conflict, thanks to the heroic military steadfastness put up against

the Israeli onslaught on West Beirut." **Al-Madinah** called on the Arab countries to consider the ideas raised in the American initiative at the Fez summit in order to adopt a united stand "based on complete frankness and taking into account above all the present and future higher interests of the Arab nation."

It also urged the Arab countries to "exploit whatever positive factors there may be in the new American initiative since despite the general terms and vagueness in which it was couched it contained certain positive signs."

The paper said the Arabs should refrain from outright rejection of the initiative, "leaving this to the Israelis, and extend their hands to any international quarters with which cooperation is likely to isolate Israel in the world arena and expose its imperialist aims and expansionist designs."

**Al-Madinah** noted that the new American initiative was announced on the eve of preparations to reconvene the Fez summit. "This means that the present American administration is placing before both the Arabs and Palestinians new ideas and expects a reply, especially after it admitted the importance of action to deal with the roots of the Arab-Israeli conflict and became aware of the existence of a Palestinian problem which should be solved in a manner taking into consideration the aspirations and legitimate rights of the Palestinian people," it said.

**Okaz** pointed out that the American initiative came specifically after the withdrawal of the PLO from Lebanon and a few days before the convening of the Fez summit.

"In other words, the forthcoming Arab summit will be facing new American ideas which should be thoroughly and meticulously considered to determine whatever positive or negative factors they contain in respect of the future of peace in the region," it said.

**Okaz** said the ideas raised by President Reagan constituted "a tangible change in the American attitude."

"It is the first time that Washington has referred to the possibility of PLO representatives taking part in peace negotiations," it added.

The paper said it was also the first time in which Washington considers the Palestine cause as one pertaining to a people ousted from their homeland, not merely one of refugees. "Needless to say that the timing of the American plan required that the Fez summit take a decisive and clear decision on the matter."

"If the American initiative proves to be insufficient to realize Arab aspirations concerning a settlement of the crisis in the region, then the summit should be ready to present a substitute and clear Arab plan enjoying the support of all Arab parties," it concluded. (SPA)

## Letter to the editor

### Twisted Arguments

Sir, Mr. Melvin Stewart says my letter was a "slandorous attack on the United States". Well I think he means 'libelous' but let us look at his arguments.

He answers my claim that "most USA colleges are of very poor quality" by listing five which he says "rate with the best in the world". Perhaps they do but this does not contradict my statement at all. Most American universities and colleges are a joke. If you get a degree from Germany or France or England it means something definite. But if you get an American degree it might be from the five reputable places he mentions. But it could be from one of the many colleges that give degrees for dancing or for cooking or for making models, in some places a doctoral thesis taking one night to prepare and containing nothing original is quite acceptable. You can even buy degrees in the U.S. and I know no other country which allows that.

Then Mr. Stewart claims America is a peacemaker because of Camp David and the eventual ceasefire in Lebanon. Was Camp David all that great a success and just who has benefited from it? There are corpses in Southeast Asia and Central America showing just how good a peacemaker America is. Who precisely has given America the license to meddle in all countries' affairs? "The USA is not killing Arabs" says Mr. Stewart. No. What it is doing is supplying the Zionists with terrible weapons of mass destruction and letting them do the killing.

So I ask, can the country that provides Israel with arms really claim moral leadership of the world? For that matter, can the nation whose last five elected leaders have been Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan claim intellectual superiority — or even ask to be taken seriously as a civilized society?

Mr. Stewart says he doesn't believe I am an Arab. I do believe that he is an American and I thank him for his display of blindness and illogicality which perfectly illustrates the point that I am making.

Sincerely yours,  
Mehdi, Sefrawan  
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Riyadh

## Today's History

Today is Saturday, Sept. 4th, the 247th day of 1982. There are 118 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1571 — Marian Party in Scotland stages successful coup in which Regent Lennox is killed.

1576 — Members of Netherlands Council of State suspected of Spanish leanings are imprisoned.

1669 — Venetians surrender Crete to Turks after siege begun in 1648.

1870 — French defeat by Prussians leads to revolt in Paris, where provisional government of national defense is set up and republic is proclaimed.

1872 — Anglo-French dual control of Egypt is re-established.

1914 — German Army occupies Rheims in France during World War I.

1946 — Netherlands' Queen Wilhelmina abdicates for health reasons.

1957 — Egypt and Syria form economic union.

1959 — Emergency is declared in Laos, with alleged aggression by North Vietnam.

1964 — British Commonwealth troops move against Indonesian guerrillas in Malaysia.

1971 — Alaska Airlines plane crashes in mountains near Juneau, Alaska, killing 111 people.

1975 — Representatives of Egypt and Israel sign new interim peace agreement in Geneva, Switzerland.

### Thought for today:

Genius is one percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration — Thomas A. Edison, U.S. inventor (1847-1931).



## Embassies in a shambles

# Ambassadors wary of returning to West Beirut

By Robert Rader

BEIRUT (R) — People who need to visit the British Embassy in Lebanon these days ask for directions to Bourn's Supermarket, where they find the ambassador sitting just over the hardware department.

The West German Embassy is a few kilometers up the road occupying two rooms at Our Lady of Lebanon Hospital. And in the high-ceilinged but cramped Town Hall at Jounieh, consulate staff from the United States, Canada and several other countries share desks and telephones to handle passport and visa queries from anyone with the patience to make the 20-km trip from Beirut.

The bombs and rockets of Lebanon's recent conflict between Israel and the Palestinians have forced diplomats to take what they can get in the way of office space, using homes, shops and hotel rooms. So Beirut's embassy row is now widely scattered.

Despite the evacuation of Palestinian troops and the Lebanese government's new security plan, the ambassadors are not rushing back to West Beirut, where their embassies stand with varying degrees of battle damage.

Indeed, diplomats seem to be wary of being the first to re-enter West Beirut. "We don't want to go back and find out we have to pull out again," says U.S. Ambassador Robert Dillon, whose residence in the elegant suburb of Yarzeh now serves as the American Embassy, with the help of crude temporary trailers set up beyond the lavender bougainvillea.

Dillon says the U.S. Embassy suffered rocket damage in two offices and "tons of broken glass," but that physical damage is not his main concern in deciding when to



BEIRUT IN RUINS: An aerial view of the western half of the Lebanese capital during the recent Israeli invasion.

return. He plans to talk with Lebanese officials shortly, he says, to learn how soon they believe the western part of the city will be truly safe.

And he will not be surprised, he says, if his decision on when to go back into West Beirut is the signal for which other diplomats are waiting. "When you're the American Embassy, a lot of people wait to see what you're going to do," he says.

Not all of West Beirut's embassies are empty, of course. Eastern bloc countries withstood severe damage to their property but declined to make what for them would have been a political unpleasant move from the leftist-held area.

Among Western diplomats a few, like the Norwegians, never left, and the Canadians left very late in the fighting. Belgian Ambassador Segesser de Brunegge says his country maintained a small operation in the west throughout the war, even when power

failures meant walking to the 15th-floor office.

The French suffered two crippling blows in the fighting, losing virtually all use of their embassy, and seeing their grand ambassadorial residence, located at the bloody museum crossing between east and west Beirut, reduced to ruins.

A second residence, in the town of Baabda, now serves as the embassy, and Ambassador Paul Marc Henry even manages to find one positive aspect to his tem-

porary quarters. "We are now more convenient to the new government — we're in presidential territory," he says, referring to his proximity to the palace soon to be occupied by President-elect Bashir Gemayel.

There have been fears that Lebanon's new president, a former Phalangist militia commander, might campaign to have embassies permanently relocate in the largely eastern part of Beirut, instead of the west, although Italian Ambassador Franco Ottieri says the opposite should be the case.

"Before, there was a definite pressure from the Christians and Phalangists to have us in the east. Now the government wants a united Beirut, so there should be no more pressure," he said.

Ottieri said his staff are slowly restoring the West Beirut embassy, but that he has set no date for a return. "We want to look around for another week to see what happens — that's what all the major embassies are doing."

Likewise, British Ambassador David Roberts says he hopes to return to the west as soon as possible, but that he might well establish a small visa office in East Beirut.

The British originally found space in a Cyprus Airways office before moving to their present suburban supermarket location. But illustrating that there are few really safe spots in the area, Roberts could watch from his window this week as a Syrian MiG, shot down by an Israeli jet, smoldered just up the hill.

Despite his lack on space — Roberts shares an office with three others — there is something to be said for working over a supermarket. "At least we don't have to go far to do our shopping," the ambassador said.

## Thai police find it hard to halt new crime wave

By Wirasak Salsayakamond

BANGKOK (Depthnews) — Thais dubbed 1981 as the "Year of Murders" as violence swept the country and ran roughshod over duly constituted authorities. This year, Thais may have an even more difficult time trying to capsize into a few words the state of criminality that plagues their nation.

Police statistics for the first four months of 1982 indicated a disturbing upward pattern in the number of criminal cases compared with that of the same period last year. Already, 3,896 homicide cases were reported from January to April this year.

The police department said that in 1981, 197,334 crimes of all types were recorded all over the country. Of this figure, 16,915 cases fell under the "serious category," which includes homicide, robbery and arson.

This meant that 540 different crimes were committed every day, or 22 cases every hour. Of the 16,915 serious crimes, 12,535 were homicide cases, or the equivalent of 1.43 cases every hour.

Police said that last year's log of homicide and murder cases was the highest in 10 years. Compared with 1971 figures, last year's number of criminal cases represented a 73.44 percent increase or a yearly jump of 7.3 percent.

While the number of criminal cases has soared over the years, police efficiency seems to have gone the opposite direction.

Out of the 7,227 homicide cases in 1971, 2,028 cases were solved and the offenders arrested. Last year, the Thai police solved only 3,037 of the 12,535 cases or 24.22 percent.

"The failure of the police to stop the rising tide of criminality and to jail the culprits has only emboldened criminal elements," a police officer admitted.

He said that the increase in criminality was not the result only of social and moral aberrations, but a combination of several factors. These include economic and psychological problems, rapid population growth and the easy availability of weapons from Thailand's war-torn neighbors.

The police department cited 17 major causes of homicide cases last year. These include marital conflicts caused by jealousy, disputes over inherited properties, gang wars, drug addiction, alcoholism and politics.

Land disputes have been one of the major causes of violent incidents in the rural areas. The rapid growth of population during the past 20 years has seen mass encroachments on forest conservation areas and national parks.

Poor farmers, who carved farmlands out of "forested areas," usually are easy targets of harassments by the more influential farmers. This often ends up in violence. The high incidence of violent crimes in the Khao Soon mountain range in the southern province of Nakhon Si Thammarat is a case in point.

When wolfram deposits were discovered in Khao Soon in the early 1970s, fortune-seekers rushed to the area to dig the mineral. Controversies over mining rights arose, with some of the prospectors hiring "hit men" to kill their enemies.

Others paid "protection money" to known thugs and other criminal elements. By the time the wolfram deposit ran out in the late 1970s, police recorded more than 1,000 murder cases in the area.

Police also said that in the rural areas the "eye for an eye" doctrine still persists, and that a killing usually leads to another. It is a "tradition" in certain rural communities that the murder of one member of a family is avenged by the murder of the enemy. Thus the killings involving clans and families continue.

In the provinces of Petchburi, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Sukhothai and Pang-nga especially, both victims and perpetrators generally from upon police intervention in their disputes. They prefer to settle their quarrels among themselves the way they know best — revenge.

Under growing pressure to combat criminality, the Interior Ministry under Gen. Sittit Jiraroj has ordered a crackdown on gambling dens and evil houses. General Sittit has described these places as dens of criminality. He also banned horse-racing on Sundays, limiting the race to only one day of the week — Saturday. He said horse-racing has ceased to be a mere sport and has become a gambling spectacle.

Corruption and lack of discipline among policemen have only aggravated the crime situation. Newspapers often carry stories of rampant police corruption and inefficiency. There have also been reports that certain "bad eggs" in the police department were themselves involved in serious crimes, ranging from robbery-extortion to murder.

Journalist Wai Tathip of the newspaper *Thai Rath* reported that several homicide cases remained unsolved because some policemen were involved. The arrest of some policemen for involvement in gun-for-hire killings only bolstered the paper's claim.

Mageysay award winning cartoonist Prayoon Chanayawong echoes Wai Tathip's accusation. But he also blamed the propensity of the courts for drastically reducing the jail terms of convicted criminals if they confess to their crimes.

He said the courts' practice of reducing sentences of confessed criminals by one-half has emboldened criminals instead of inculcating in them the maxim that crime does not pay. Prayoon also faults the parole system, which he claims to have failed to deter crimes. "Potential criminals are not afraid to go to jail knowing that they will be set free soon," he said.

Like most developing countries, Thailand is faced with the problem of a surging tide of criminality that its law-enforcement agencies seem unable to cope. The number of deaths has ceased to be mere statistics for Thailand but a grim national problem that cries out for solution.

## Future growth of Japan threatened by rapid rise in old-age pensioners

By Keth Stafford

TOKYO (R) — Japan's prosperity and future growth are threatened by an upsurge in old-age pensioners in its population and a bedridden community rising to nearly one million, economists say.

In a society where age is venerated, a declining birthrate and an increase in average life spans is leading to potential difficulties in finding money needed to meet pensions and medical expenses.

The International Labor Organization in Geneva estimates that by the year 2020, more than 20 percent of the Japanese population will be over 65 years of age in contrast to 17.2 percent in Europe, 14.2 percent in North America and 13 percent in the Soviet Union.

Increased contributions from Japan's working population to maintain the social security system are likely to lead to lower labor productivity and a fall in the currently high savings rate, the economists said.

Japan claims the world longevity record for Shigechiyo Izumi. He is 117 and lives on the island of Tokunoshima in the south of the country where a bronze statue is due to be unveiled in his honor on Sept. 15, a public holiday known as "Respect for the Aged Day."

Even ordinary Japanese can expect to live longer than most. The average age at death of Japanese men has risen by 15 years since the early 1950s to 73.3 years. Japanese women live to an average 78.8 years, 17 years more

than 30 years ago. This improvement has been attributed to better income from Japan's postwar economic success and protection available from state medical and pension schemes.

In 1961, the country began its policy of providing pensions and health insurance for all citizens and schemes introduced then were made more generous in 1973, when some payments were pegged to the inflation rate and a system of medical care for low-income elderly was started. Now all men in Japan receive state pensions after the age of 65 and all women after 60.

At the other end of Japan's age spectrum, the birthrate has been falling. In 1981, with a population of 117.78 million, there were 1.53 million births, 47,000 less than in 1980 and continuing the declining trend started in 1974.

The decline has been attributed to parents preferring smaller families because of rising incomes and the need to be able to afford expensive education for their offspring in the fiercely competitive education system. Also, the number of Japanese women receiving higher education beyond the age of 15 has risen to 10 percent from only 2.2 percent in 1960, which in turn has led to more working women and later marriages.

The Japan Economic Council, an advisory body to the prime minister, predicted in a recent report that the population would peak in the year 2008 at 130 million with one in every 6.4 persons over the age of 65, against one in 11 at present.

Economist Kaoru Yoshikawa, of the government's economic planning agency, wrote in a recent paper on social welfare, "if the productive population (aged 20 to 64) is seen as supporting people in old age, each elderly person had 6.8 productive persons to support him or her in 1980, but will have only 2.6 in the year 2015."

And he estimated the number of elderly bedridden in the year 2000 at nearly one million compared with only 510,000 last year. The financial burden is already becoming heavier, with the latest health and welfare figures showing 24.6 trillion yen (\$96.5 billion) paid in social welfare programs for the 1980 financial year ending March 1981.

Such spending accounted for 12.7 percent of national income, up from 12.5 percent and between 1970 and 1980, welfare payments have risen sevenfold. The Economic Planning Agency's annual report for the current financial year published this month said for employees' pension insurance schemes "the current insurance rate is approximately half the rate necessary to maintain the insurance system."

One planning agency economist has estimated that if the present system is not changed, insurance contributions will be three times what they are now in 40 years' time. "When health and other social insurance contributions and taxes are taken into account, half or more of the average wage earner's income will be going to taxes and social security payments," he said.

## Secrecy surrounds Japanese executions

By Jim Abrams

TOKYO (AP) — Morning is said to be a disquieting time on death row in Japan. Few can be sure that the guard making his rounds this day won't be their escort to the gallows. The public is never informed of executions, and even some inmates don't know of their date with the hangman until the guard stops at their cell.

"We are concerned with the human rights of the prisoner and the honor of the family," said Yasutoshi Kondoh of the Justice Ministry's criminal affairs bureau, by way of explaining the lack of public announcement of executions. Secrecy surrounding executions is one reason why there is almost no public debate here over the morality or

effectiveness of the death penalty. "No political party has taken a strong stand on capital punishment, and neither religious groups nor the media have shown much interest in the issue," said Jiro Ishihara, a well-known writer and a leading advocate of abolishing the death penalty. "The Japanese people as a whole just don't think very much about it."

In Japan, the death penalty may be ordered for murder, treason and other crimes, such as robbery, rape and hijacking which lead to the death of a person.

Akira Kiyohara, of the correction bureau said authorities decide on a case-by-case basis, according to the prisoner's "mental state," whether to tell him or her when the trap will fall. The situation is similar for

family members, who may be allowed last visits but at times learn of the execution only when told to come and collect the remains.

Kiyohara said details of executions also are not publicly disclosed, but said a recent account pieced together by the *Asahi Shimbun*, a leading daily, was generally accurate.

According to *Asahi*, the prisoner is led into the gallows room where a Buddhist priest says a few words of pering and offers prayers. In the corner, a candle and incense are burned. If the prisoner so requests, he is given candy or a last cigarette.

He is then handcuffed from behind and blindfolded with a white cloth. A curtain opens, the white rope noose is placed around his neck, his feet are tied and at a signal from a prison official the floor beneath him is opened. The hanged person falls into an underground chamber.

Under law the execution must be witnessed by a public prosecutor, a public prosecutor's assistant officer and a warden or his representative. All executions are by hanging.

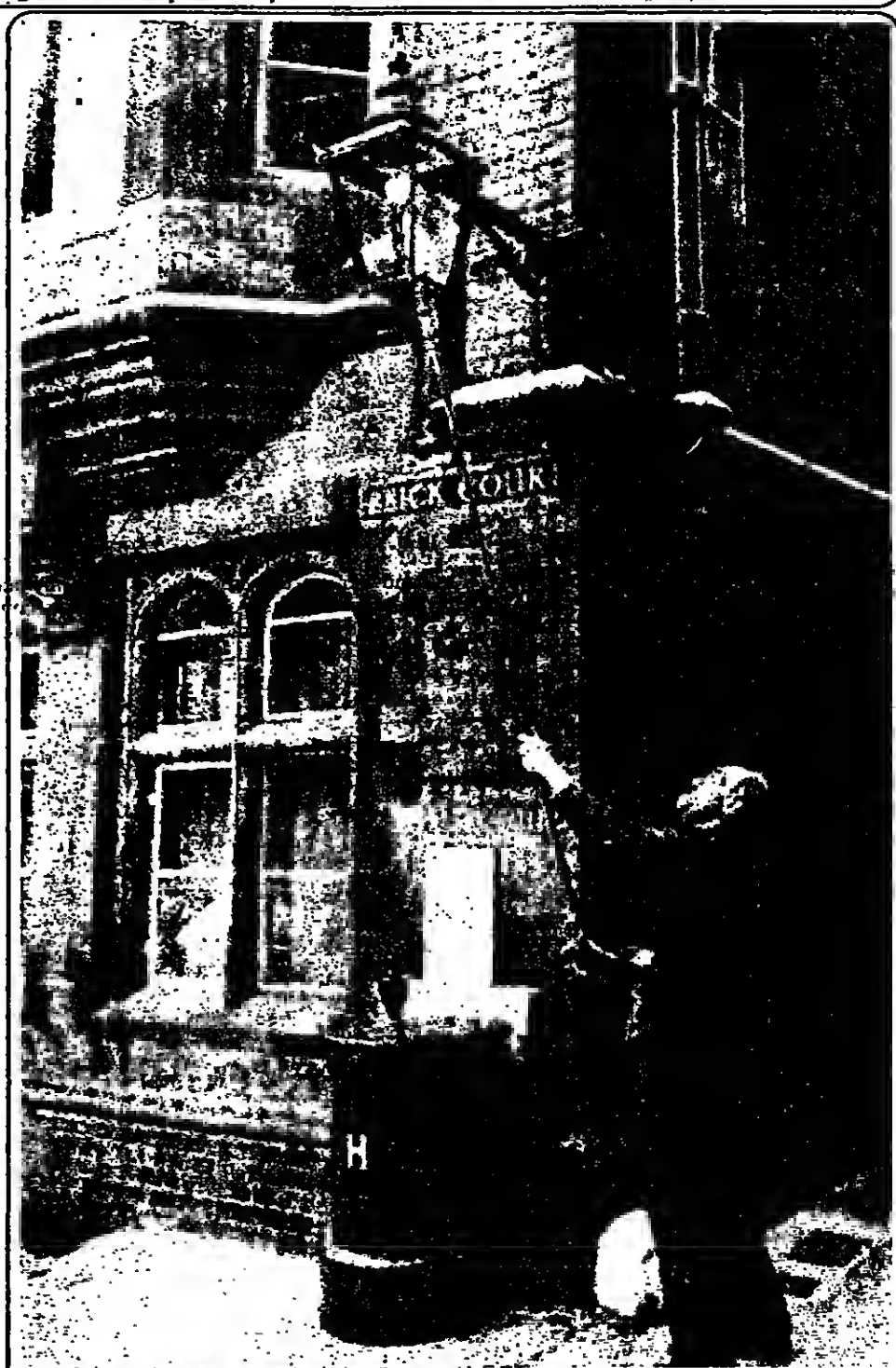
Justice Ministry figures say 569 persons were executed between 1945 and 1981. Most occurred in the years of social chaos following the end of World War II. In the past five years, there has been an average of only two executions a year, the ministry says.

Besides the decrease in violent crimes over the decades, better legal defense, the international debate on capital punishment and the reluctance of some justice ministers to sign the death warrant have also slowed the march to the gallows.

The justice minister is required by law to order execution within six months after the three-judge panel hands down the verdict, or after all appeals are exhausted. The execution must take place within five days after the justice minister puts his stamp on the death writ.

Sometimes, however, the death penalty is reduced to life imprisonment by a higher court, and some death row prisoners have shown great adroitness in saving their necks. Sadamichi Hirasawa, said to be Japan's oldest prison inmate and the world's longest occupant on death row, this year marked his 90th birthday in Sendai Prison in northern Japan, 27 years after being given the death sentence for allegedly killing 12 persons in a 1948 bank robbery.

Hirasawa, who insists he is innocent, has filed for retrial 17 times and requested amnesty four times.



LAMPLIGHTER: London's lamplighters, 58-year-old CHET Falkmann, seen during his rounds lighting old-fashioned Victorian gaslamps in the Inner and Middle Temples — a job which he does every evening as dusk draws on. He returns at dawn to turn them out. His round consists of 102 lamps.

## Issue in Danish court

# Tattooing -- is it art?

By Bryan Wilder

COPENHAGEN (AP) — Sailing ships, snarling dragons, oriental beauties, the flag and dear old mom. Tattoos are pretty to some, repulsive to others. But the question here is: are they art?

The Danish tax-man says no. But the country's 25 tattooists say yes, and they are asking this country's second highest court to back them. At stake is a 22 percent value-added tax levied in 1978, when authorities decided that tattooing is a service, not art. Artworks are exempt from the tax.

"If ever there was an art, this must be it," says Tattoo Per, alias Per Hvolby, his huzzing electric needle painstakingly transforming a Swede's upper arm into a woman. "People have been drawing on their bodies since before they drew on caves."

Tattoo Per has been decorating people's bodies for 17 years in Copenhagen's rowdy but picturesque Nyhavn district. He said the value-added tax means he has to add 22 percent to his prices and spend several hours a week filling out tax forms and attending to other red tape.

He summed up the issue this way: "If I draw a picture on paper and sell it to you, it's art. But the tax people say if I draw it on your skin, it's not."

Peter Neergaard, the tattooists' lawyer, said the lawsuit is a matter of principle. "We feel that in the tattooing business there is so

much tradition, there is so much freedom (of expression) in painting on human skin, that it definitely is an art," he said. He said he has found no precedent for the suit, at least in Europe.

When the tattooists presented their case in court, Neergaard called in an expert witness, Danish archaeologist Soeren Nancke-Krogh, who has studied the history of the craft.

Nancke-Krogh told the judges that tattoos have been depicted in cave drawings dating back to the ice age. He said nearly all the world's peoples have practiced the art sometime in their histories.

The archaeologist said that nowadays there is a lot of similarity in tattoos the world over because, like true folk art, it is steeped in tradition.

Denmark's most famous tattooed man was the late King Frederick IX, father of the current monarch, Queen Margrethe II. Although Frederick IX was a renowned sailor, Tattoo Per said it's time for the world to forget the tattoo image of the huffy sailor with a clipper ship playing his hairy pectorals.

In court testimony, Nancke-Krogh quoted from a Swedish study that found the most tattooed profession is chimney sweeps, the least tattooed child care workers. "I get all kinds of people in here, and I mean all kinds," said Tattoo Per, whose elder brother Tattoo Boh has drawn on Nyhavn habitués for 35 years.



## Despite scientists' warning World ignores warming trend

By David Crary

BOULDER, Colorado (AP) — Although studies predict the world will get hotter in the next century with potentially destructive changes in weather, governments are ignoring the problem, researchers say.

Experts at the National Center for Atmospheric Research say there is growing international consensus by scientists that the atmosphere's carbon dioxide level will double over the next 40 to 100 years, raising temperatures by an average 5 degrees.

The phenomenon is known as the "greenhouse effect," so called because, like a greenhouse, carbon dioxide gas traps heat inside the atmosphere. It was first noticed in the late 19th century after the worldwide industrialization began spewing huge quantities of carbon dioxide from the burning of fossil fuels.

"It's a global problem — the most complex and interesting problem facing the 20th and 21st century," said Robert Schwart, a political scientist affiliated with the Atmospheric Research Center.

A report in July by the National Academy of Sciences, reaffirming its 1979 warning, said higher temperatures could increase the quantity of polar ice melted each year, cause earlier spring snow melting and later autumn snowfalls, and result in a decline in soil moisture in the middle and northern parts of the northern hemisphere.

Scientists have speculated that increased melting of glaciers could raise the level of the ocean — with widespread effects on coastal cities.

"Changes in climate can be good or bad," said Schwart. But Schwart said in a recent interview that the prospect of such changes is not a hot topic for governments.

And some scientists have disputed the effects of increased carbon dioxide, speculating that any rising temperatures from a greenhouse effect would result in more clouds, reflecting more sun away from the earth and thus preventing over heating.

Dr. William Kellogg, a climatologist at the center, said his colleagues suspect most

politicians will be tempted to pass the problem to their successors.

The U.S. government, for example, has cut funding for research of the greenhouse effect from \$14 million last year to \$9 million and eliminated completely a department of energy study of political and social impacts, he said.

Schwart said the changes may disrupt some regions and help others.

"There are likely to be winners and losers," he said. "For example, a more regular monsoon pattern could be important to major rice producers, whereas countries such as the Soviet Union and the United States would suffer more."

## New approach to aid at sea

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana (AP) — Despite a \$20 a-minute price tag, a new high-technology approach to treating illness and injury on the high seas is catching on.

Medical Advisory Systems Inc. offers around-the-clock medical aid to ships by radio. It is an ambitious undertaking considering death's traditional advantage on ocean-going vessels — only seven in 100 heart attack victims survive at sea, according to a company statement based on U.S. Coast Guard statistics.

Ronald Pickett, chief executive of the company, places part of the blame on an ill-

equipped, cumbersome U.S. government system that does too little too late for crewmen often 1,609 kilometers from the nearest doctor.

With a heavy reliance on a computer, the company goes far beyond the only other service of its type — a 20-year-old program run by the Italian government, Pickett said.

He said the computer contains lists of hospitals, burn and toxic centers and helicopter services along every coast. Also in the computer is a detailed account of each customer ship — what first-aid training the crew has and what kind of medical stores are on board.

By Peter J.

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## A VACCINE FOR TRAVELERS

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: I stay at home even though I have the means and desire to travel. Reason? I've developed a phobia of developing traveler's diarrhea.

Last week, a friend's vacation in Germany was ruined by this frustrating complication. Yesterday, another friend, just returned from Mexico, had a similar complaint. I've been hearing these stories for years. So what do I do? Like a coward, I stay at home in the good old U.S.A. On the rare occasions when I do develop diarrhea for a few days, I surely can't blame it on being a "foreign visitor." What's the present status of attacking this nuisance? Has the medical profession found anything to prevent attacks? — Mr. L.

Dear Mr. L.: I have a friend who has been all over the world, but like you, he won't visit Mexico. He's afraid of developing traveler's diarrhea. "Have you ever had it while visiting other countries?" I asked him. "Sure," he said, "but it hasn't been bad." I told him not to expect anything worse while in Mexico. Nevertheless, he's still concerned.

Other names for traveler's diarrhea are the Aztec two-step, Montezuma's revenge and turista. Most often, it's uncomfortable, but rarely debilitating or dangerous. Strains of *Escherichia coli* cause the disorder. Your doctor will prescribe ways to try to prevent it and how to treat it. But, there's good news for future travelers — and, I hope, including yourself, Mr. L. According to an article in A.M.A.'s *Medical News*, researchers are developing a vaccine to immunize against these attacks. A similar one given to various farm animals has been effective. As soon as the vaccine is available (perhaps within a

year), be ready to pack your bags for your long-postponed trip to Europe or Mexico, Mr. L. Happy landing!

## MEDICALETTES

(Replies to and from readers):

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: I strained my back a few months ago while bowling. Aspirin doesn't help. Neither does application of heat. I complain so much, that my family and friends believe I'm malingering. I'm not, believe me. What can I do to convince them I'm in constant pain? Mr. J.

Dear Mr. J.: Myelograms have been helpful in pinpointing the cause of pain. Ask your doctor about another procedure called thermography. It measures body heat. According to neurologist, Charles E. Wexler, M.D. of Encino, Calif., as quoted in JAMA (6/25/82), "I've done about 6,000 thermograms over the last several years to evaluate sensory nerve damage or irritation in the lumbar, cervical and thoracic regions and I've never come up with a single, false negative." I think that a positive test should convince friends and relatives that your back pain is real and not imaginary.

For Mrs. S.: Saving your husband from choking to death in the kitchen by using the Heimlich maneuver proves that "cafe coronary" can occur anywhere. Therefore, Lester Adelson, M.D. of Cleveland, suggests another name, "culinary coronary" instead of cafe coronary, kitchen coronary or cafeteria coronary. But, what's in a name when the patient is choking?

(Tomorrow: Meditation for high blood pressure)

## Games help asthmatics

LONDON (LPS) — Asthmatic children who have always been excused school games due to their medical condition are now being encouraged to take part, following a research project in northwest England.

The controlled research program carried out in the town of Burnley shows that asthmatic children who followed a rigorous program of exercises became sufficiently fit after two months to take part in school sports without bringing on an attack of asthma.

Consultant pediatrician, Dr. Ian Swann, and senior pediatric physiotherapist, Mrs. Cheryl Hane, individually assessed each child before drawing up a program which included squat thrusts and pressups. A control group of asthmatic children attended relaxation classes for the same period.

He explained: "There is quite clearly a large benefit. Although the asthma didn't vary in the children, those who had carried out the physical exercises could do 100 percent more without bringing on an attack than the children in the control group."

"Asthmatic children are usually excused games at school because they get wheezy when they run and get frightened. As a result they sit in a library with a book, they get overweight and become unfit, and they are also isolated from their peers and that makes them introverted and neurotic."

Dr. Swann's research showed that the children's personalities change quite dramatically once their self-confidence returned and they were able to join in physical education at school.

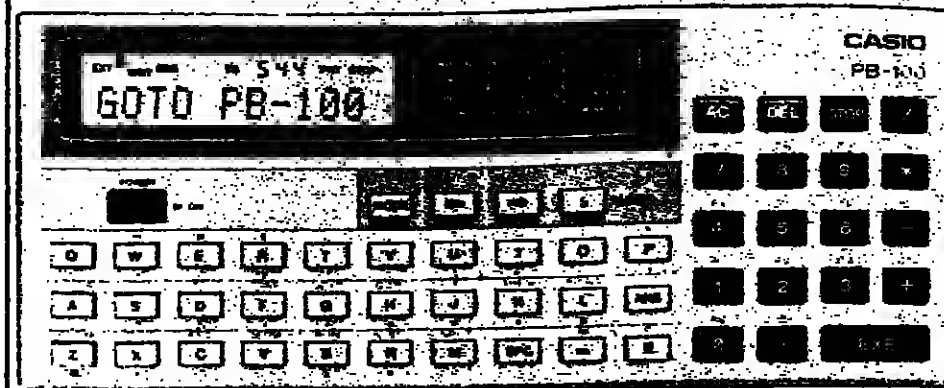
## Japanese test floating car

MIYAZAKI, Japan (R) — Japanese National Railways (JNR) successfully carried passengers in a floating car for the first time Thursday.

Looking like a wingless aircraft and with three JNR officials on board, the 10-ton, remote controlled, single car ran at a top speed of 262 km per hour on the seven-km experimental track near here.

The magnetically levitated (Maglev) vehicle has been under development in Japan for more than a decade. It is airborne 10 cm above a concrete guideway on an invisible cushion of electro-magnetic force. The state-run Railway Corporation gave it its first successful unmanned run in the December 1977. In late 1979, the test car reached an hourly maximum speed of 517 km per hour, slightly faster than the JNR's target of 500 km per hour.

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## Fresh redundancies

## Irish shipyard at crisis point

By Brian Cathcart

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (R) — Towering over Belfast and visible from almost any point in the city stand the two huge, yellow gantry cranes of Harland and Wolff's Shipyard.

Known throughout the city as Goliath and Samson, they are a constant reminder of a trade which made Belfast one of the industrial jewels of the British empire, but today they also symbolize a grim story of economic decline.

Harland and Wolff is in deep financial trouble, heavily dependent on government money, short of orders and contemplating fresh redundancies. In its heyday 70 years ago the shipyard built the world's finest passenger liners. Sprawling over docklands in the heart of the city, it gave work to 25,000 men.

Now the work force is down to 6,600, losses are mounting and the London government has said it will not continue to subsidize the yard unless it shows signs of moving out of the red. A month ago a firm of management consultants suggested another 1,280 redundancies.

Ironically the two staple-shaped cranes, the largest in the world when they were built about 12 years ago, are part of the problem. They in turn straddle the world's biggest shipbuilding dry dock and give the yard the capacity to build a 1.2-million-ton supertanker.

But nothing of that size has ever been built in Belfast or anywhere else and in today's world of recession and declining oil demand the trend on the ship market is toward smaller vessels, not bigger ones. So today, in a dock capable of taking a ship 10 times bigger, welders are fitting together sections of a 109,000-ton oil tanker.

On one side the first parts of a 170,000-ton

bulk iron ore carrier are being assembled and on the other the steel sections of a new bridge are being prepared for shipment to Londonderry, on the other side of the province.

When those jobs are complete the only ship on the order books will be a 37,000-ton liquefied petroleum gas carrier, enough to keep part of the work force busy until 1984.

One of only two shipyards in Britain capable of building big supertankers, Belfast is now forced to compete for orders in a sluggish market dominated by smaller ships. Like all yards in Western Europe, it also faces the threat of the rising shipbuilding industries of east Asia, particularly South Korea and Taiwan.

To add to its trading problems, the yard has come to a crisis point in financial relations with its owner, the British government. Up to 1980, the last year for which full figures are available, Harland and Wolff had soaked up more than 170 million sterling (\$300 million) of government subsidies and investment grants.

Much of that was invested in transforming Belfast from a liner yard to a big tanker yard but even more has gone to covering trading losses, which totaled 30 million sterling (\$53 million) in 1980 alone. Now the government wants proof that the yard can be made profitable before it will come up with more money.

Belfast is proud of its shipbuilding tradition. Great passenger liners like the *Olympic*, the *Southern Cross* and the *Canberra*, and warships like the aircraft carrier *Enterprise* and the landing ship *Fearless* are recalled with affection at the shipyard.

Even the most notorious Harland and Wolff ship, the *Titanic*, is remembered fondly. It sank with the loss of 1,500 lives after hitting an iceberg in its maiden voyage in the North Atlantic. Shipyard workers are quick to pin the blame on the iceberg and the navigators.

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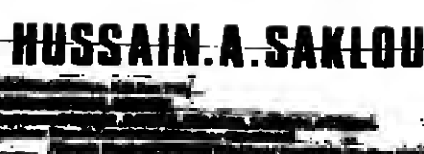
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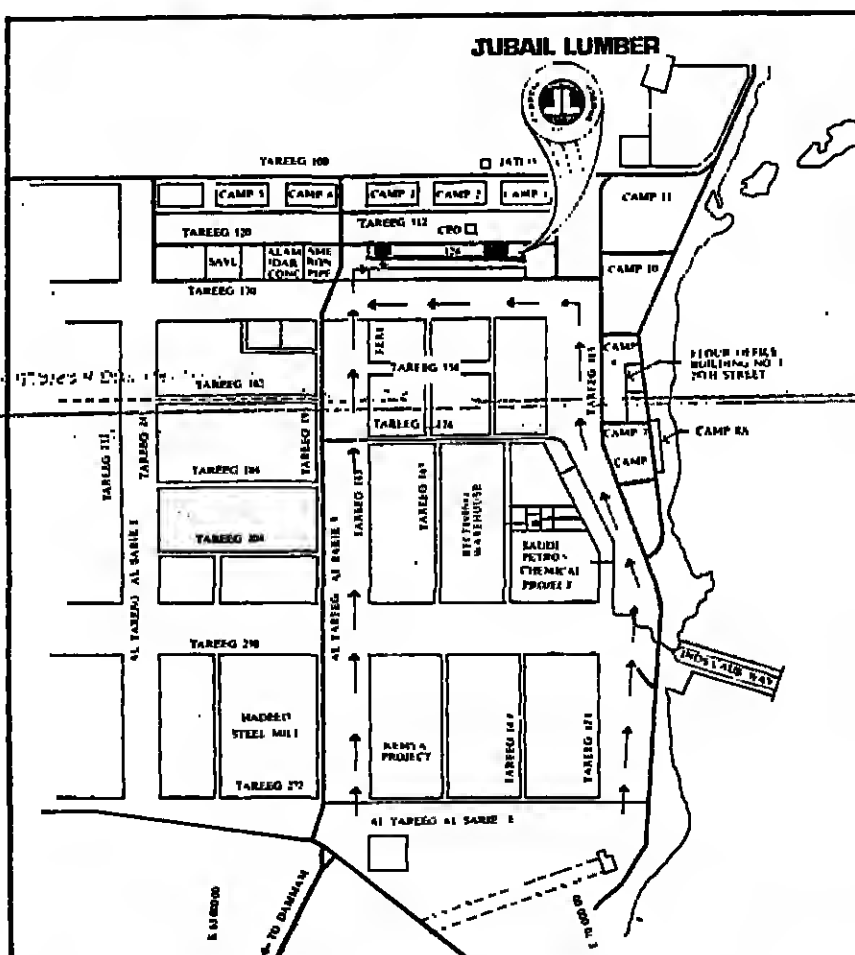


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## Over 'unfounded stories'

## Ugandans protest Amnesty campaign

NAIROBI, Kenya, Sept. 3 (AP) — Uganda accused the Western news media and international organizations such as Amnesty International of trying to undermine its government.

The official Uganda radio, monitored here, said the government of President Milton Obote delivered a "strongly worded" protest note Thursday to diplomatic missions and organizations in the East African country.

The radio said the note alleged that over the past 20 months "malicious and unfounded stories have been published abroad against the government" and said they were "part of a well orchestrated campaign to undermine the government."

The broadcast referred specifically to a report released Wednesday by Amnesty International, a London-based international human rights organization.

The 28-page report, titled "Human Rights Violations in Uganda: Extrajudicial Executions, Torture and Political Imprisonment," alleged that mass killings of unarmed civilians and torture of political prisoners have become widespread in Uganda in the 1 1/2 years since the overthrow of Idi Amin.

Uganda radio said of the report: "The government was not given an opportunity to

see it nor comment on it before it was released." The broadcast said the Amnesty International report was preceded by "gross and unfounded allegations by the Geneva-based United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees."

The radio said the UNHCR alleged that there was fighting in the West Nile region of northern Uganda, that "thousands of Ugandans were crossing into Sudan and that the Ugandan Army had harassed refugees there."

According to reports from Geneva, the UNHCR said on Aug. 25 that more than 40,000 Ugandans had arrived in Sudan since the beginning of this year and that the total now stands at 100,000.

The West Nile, bordering Sudan and Zaire, has been unstable for the past few years because guerrilla groups — including supporters of the exiled Amin — have been active in the area.

Uganda radio claimed that even though the Amnesty International and UNHCR allegations "were false, they were picked up and broadcast by the BBC (British Broadcasting Corp.), Deutsche Welle and other radio stations."

## Because of complex balloting

## Brazil poll nullification feared

RIO DE JANEIRO, Sept. 3 (AP) — A complex balloting system pushed through Congress by the military-backed government here is arousing fears that November's national elections could be nullified because of the high percentage of invalid votes.

The 22 gubernatorial candidates of the nation's largest opposition party publicly charged the government of President Joao Figueiredo this week with mounting "a sinister plan to disrupt the elections." The Brazilian Democratic Movement Party (PMDB) candidates accused the government party of an "unpatriotic effort" to hinder voters' "access to the ballot box, or confuse their choice."

At stake in the Nov. 15 elections are the offices of state governor, federal senator, federal congressman, state representative, mayor and city councilman in Brazil's states and territories. Opponents say fears that the ruling government party would lose are prompting the efforts to sabotage the voting. Under Brazilian law, any election in which 50 percent of the ballots are invalid is declared null, and a new election must be called within 60 days. But the second election will also be conducted under the same regulations, and recent polls indicate the government's rules could invalidate enough ballots to nullify the results.

A June poll conducted by the independent Brazilian Institute of Public Opinion and Statistics showed that just under 65 percent of the vote in the state of Rio de Janeiro

would be invalidated under the present voting system.

An informal poll conducted in August by the respected liberal Rio daily *Jornal do Brasil* found that 40 percent of the sample ballots filled out contained errors that would nullify them.

What would confuse many among Brazil's 50 million voters, pollsters say, are two controversial laws pushed through Congress. The first, approved in December, banned crossing party lines on the ballot. The law requires Brazilians to vote for members of the same party for all offices, and nullifies their vote if they mix parties.

The opposition charged that the measure was designed to prevent the election of any coalition among the four anti-government parties. The second measure, approved this week over the protests of the opposition, designed a ballot which forces the voter to write in by hand the name or ballot number of each candidate. That project undercut the Supreme Electoral Tribunal, the nation's highest electoral authority, which had recommended a simpler ballot that allowed voters to check a box beside their candidate's name.

Government ministers rebut criticism by pointing out that the two and a half months remaining before the election provide ample time to educate confused voters.

But many voters, especially in the rural interior, are only barely literate.

## Venezuela rules out war

RIO DE JANEIRO, Sept. 3 (AP) — Venezuela's border dispute with Guyana will not turn into another Falklands-type conflict, even though Guyana is preparing for war, Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jose Alberto Zambrano said here Thursday.

"They are two very distinct cases," Zambrano said, comparing his country's claim to five-eighths of Guyana's territory — the Essequibo region — with Argentina's claim to the British-held Falklands.

"Argentina was summarily expelled (from the Falklands)," the foreign minister said. "Venezuela was also expelled, but there exists an international treaty signed by Great Britain, Venezuela and Guyana which dictates how we should proceed with our claim. That's what we are doing."

Zambrano arrived in Rio Thursday on a brief stopover en route to New York where he is to bring up the Venezuela-Guyana dispute in the United Nations General Assembly. In an impromptu press conference here, the minister said, "Guyana, while it accuses Venezuela of aggression, is arming itself."

Zambrano met for two hours with Brazil's Foreign Minister Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro, and both ministers rejected the idea that Latin American nations might create a hemispheric organization that excludes the United States, following U.S. support for Britain in the Falklands War. "The United States geographically is part of the hemisphere," Zambrano said. "It would be pure imagination to conceive of a hemispheric organization in which that country is not present."

## Europe to take steps against terrorist acts

BONN, Sept. 3 (APF) — West European nations will step up operations against terrorism over coming months, French Interior Minister Gaston Defferre said after a top-secret meeting here yesterday. The three-hour meeting grouped the interior ministers of Austria, France, Italy, West Germany and Switzerland.

Defferre ruled out an anti-terrorist summit in the near future, but said wider meetings were planned with representatives of other countries. "We can expect greater coordination and intensification of European efforts," he said, adding that the five countries would meet again before the end of the year in Italy.

Defferre said he was unable to disclose what had been discussed during the consultations, but admitted that the implications for international terrorism of the evacuation of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) from Beirut had been "one of the problems we discussed."

Defferre said, however, that in his view statements by Palestinian leaders including PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, that the fight would go on by any means, should not be interpreted as meaning terrorism. Such statements were meant to emphasize that the Palestinians wanted to recover a homeland by all possible means, he said.

Defferre said his European colleagues had been very satisfied with French President Francois Mitterrand's televised pledge to strike at terrorism "everywhere it has gone to ground and trace it down to its very source."

## Murder plot becomes curiously Planned Romanian defection aborted

PARIS, Sept. 3 (R) — Two newspapers said Thursday the chief of Romania's intelligence service would have defected to France this week if the French press had not revealed how French agents foiled an alleged Romanian murder plot.

The reports were the latest development in a bizarre affair involving two Romanian writers, a repentant Romanian spy, the French security service and the alleged complicity of President Francois Mitterrand.

*Le Quotidien de Paris* and *France Soir* quoted intelligence sources as saying the premature disclosure of the affair in a Paris newspaper wrecked a plan by Gen. Nicolae Plesita, whom they identified as chief of the Romanian external intelligence service official to leave for France.

The daily *Le Monde* reported it Tuesday that Romanian exile writer Virgil Tanase, who disappeared in Paris last May, was in fact cooperating with the French DST security service in a ploy to fool the Romanian security police.

## Zimbabwe offers reward for news on kidnap victims

HARARE, Sept. 3 (APF) — A reward of 10,000 Zimbabwean dollars (\$7,500) was offered Thursday by the Zimbabwean government for information on the whereabouts of six foreign tourists kidnapped almost six weeks ago by dissident guerrillas.

The six — two British, two Americans and two Australian men — were seized July 23 by a group of armed guerrillas who claimed to be loyal to minority leader Joshua Nkomo. In a ransom note they demanded that some of Nkomo's imprisoned followers be released from jail.

A government search for the kidnap victims has yielded nothing. And a heavy army presence in southwest Zimbabwe, where the incident occurred, has been unable to stem a rash of robberies and killings allegedly carried out by dissidents who say they back Nkomo.

## Chirac sees early poll

NOUMEA, Sept. 3 (APF) — The French government will not remain in power long enough to bring independence to New Caledonia, French opposition leader Jacques Chirac said here.

In a farewell speech marking the end of a two-day visit to the French overseas territory, Chirac, leader of the Gaullist Rally for the Republic Movement, said that President Mitterrand's government will probably have to call for early elections. The Socialist mandate will run out before the government can bring independence to New Caledonia, he told a crowd of several thousand.

Commenting on a statement by New Caledonian Government Vice President Jean-Marie Tjibaou that the island will be given independence in 1984, Chirac said in a press conference here Wednesday that the Socialist government "will not last two years." "Caledonians would be wrong to worry," he said.

The Romanian Embassy, which earlier this week denied any involvement in the affair, Thursday blamed circles hostile to Franco-Romanian relations for what it called the ridiculous provocation.

At a press conference Tuesday, Tanase, and a man identified only as "Mr. Z," who said he was a high-ranking Romanian security officer, confirmed *Le Monde's* report.

Tanase said he and another Romanian exile, Paul Goma, had faked a murder with the complicity of DST to fool the Romanian security service into believing that "Mr. Z" had carried out orders to kill them for writing articles criticizing Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu.

Mitterrand had been aware of the ruse, Tanase said. The French president was due to have visited Romania this month but canceled the trip in July after Tanase's disappearance.

*Le Quotidien* and *France Soir* quoted intelligence sources as saying Gen. Plesita had made contact with the DST after he learned

of the French ploy Aug. 23, apparently because he feared retaliation. "If only a high (French) official had not revealed the affair a few hours too soon to a journalist friend and fellow Socialist, Gen. Plesita would without doubt today be seeking asylum from the (French) minister of the interior," *France Soir* said.

Several newspapers cast doubt Thursday on the public version of the affair. *Le Monde* suggested it was strange for a high-ranking double agent to appear at a televised conference and named him as Motu Haiduc, an executive with a French firm making parts for nuclear reactors.

French newspapers, quoting DST sources, have said "Mr. Z" was a lieutenant-colonel in the Romanian security police. Informed Romanian sources told Reuters he held a non-commissioned rank.

*Le Quotidien* said there were too many implausible elements to believe the DST had been on the verge of pulling off a major intelligence coup.

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'Alert' reports misleading

# Manila calm despite crackdown

MANILA, Philippines, Sept. 3 (AP) — As soldiers staged a new wave of arrests in Manila, Russian pianist Alexander Toradze was pounding out Tchaikovsky's concerto No. 1 with full orchestra at the Philippine presidential palace.

But the arrests Wednesday and Thursday and the specter of a terrorist plot to overthrow President Ferdinand Marcos do not have much impact on life in Manila, in or out of the Malacanang Palace.

Meanwhile, four persons were injured when a bomb exploded Thursday under a passenger bus at a bus terminal in the southeastern Philippine city of Catabato 928 kilometers

## Salvador leftists 'weakening'

SAN SALVADOR, Sept. 3 (AP) — President Alvaro Magana predicts insurgents in his country will be so weakened within a year that moderate leftists may be encouraged to participate in new elections.

Magana, who has served as provisional president since May 2, said Thursday in an interview with the Associated Press that he believes presidential elections will be held by March 1984 at the latest. He was selected as interim president by the 60-member Constituent Assembly, the country's provisional legislature, which is dominated by a coalition of rightist parties.

Magana voiced optimism despite a Defense Ministry report on Tuesday that said guerrillas had inflicted 3,801 casualties on government troops during a one-year period ended June 30 — more than one-fifth of the armed forces' estimated 18,000 officers and soldiers. The figure included 1,073 killed.

The leftist Radio Venceremos also said Thursday that rebels ambushed two army patrols on the Pan-American highway this week, killing 20 soldiers and wounding several others. The military issued no response to the claim.

More than 1,080 government troops supported by artillery and helicopter gunships attacked suspected guerrilla positions several miles north of the capital early Thursday, a military spokesman said. He said two soldiers were wounded but he refused to give details of the fighting.

"The problem of subversion will definitely be solved within a year — not by annihilation (of the rebels), but by lifelessness," said Magana. "They have been losing their force, their motivation, since March 28."

from the capital.

The Philippine News Agency, which carried the report, said it was the second in two days. It said none of the victims was in serious condition and no one was injured in the previous incident on elementary school grounds.

There have been no bombings in Manila since Marcos disclosed an alleged plot three weeks ago, no significant strikes, no assassinations and no threats from underground groups.

The only demonstration was peaceful. The country is not under emergency rule. And even military sources say newspaper headlines declaring the armed forces and reserves

are on full alert are misleading.

Brig. Gen. Edon Yap, reserve commander, said the military are "taking precautionary measures."

Thirty labor union activists have been jailed over the past three weeks, but evidence so far presented in court against them is based primarily on allegedly subversive statements made in public speeches, some more than a year old.

Marcos also implicated opposition leaders and businessmen, but none has been arrested.

Marcos and his critics see little chance he will reimpose martial law by which he ruled the Philippines for eight years. He says it isn't necessary because he has the power to meet any emergency. His critics say he never really lifted martial law anyway.

Marcos' opponents see the recent measures and the disclosure of an alleged plot as a warning against causing trouble while he and his wife Imelda are in the United States. Their state visit there begins in two weeks.

Western and Asian diplomatic sources say they see no threat to Marcos' rule. He has been out of public view for several days. He did not attend the concert. Aides said he is memorizing speeches to be given in Washington.

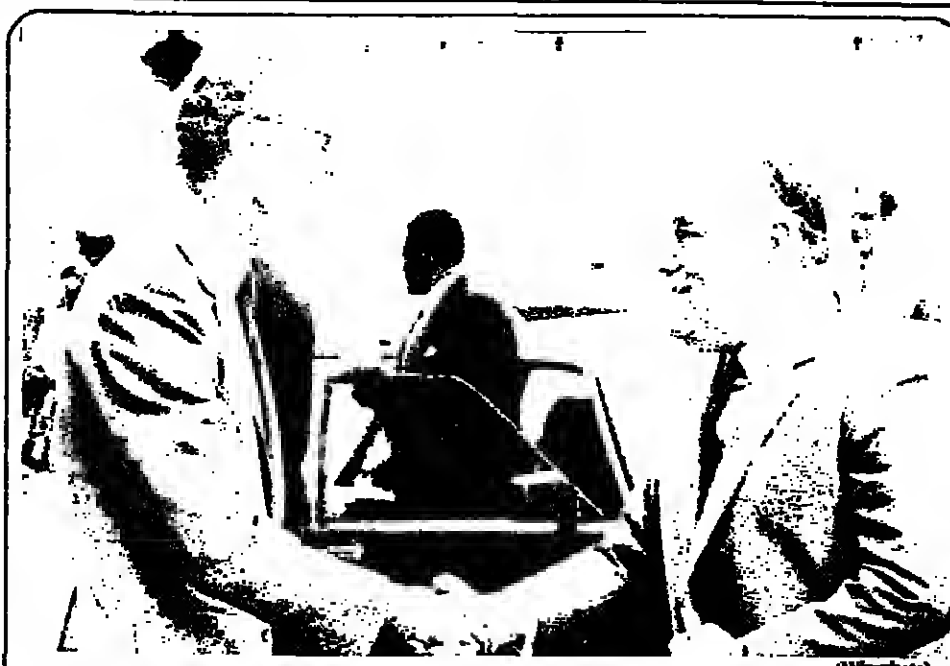
In his last public statement, he assured the people that the terrorist plot had been quashed with the arrest of the labor leaders. More arrests followed, however. Twenty-three more labor activists were arrested Wednesday, and at dawn Thursday six alleged subversives were taken from their homes.

Shortly after soldiers, acting on direct presidential orders, arrested the labor activists Wednesday, a crowd of elite gathered in the reception hall of the presidential palace to bear Toradze play Tchaikovsky, Liszt and Prokofiev.

The hostess, Mrs. Marcos, served an elegant buffet dinner to the more than 200 guests during the intermission.

In Washington, five U.S. congressmen asked President Ronald Reagan to withdraw the invitation for Marcos to visit because of the alleged "emergency rule" he had imposed on the Philippines.

Information Minister Gregorio Cendana said their plea was based on a "grievous misapprehension" of what is going on in the Philippines. Cendana said the arrests were preemptive steps taken to "safeguard the state and its citizens from terrorist violence."



GREETING: Britain's Minister of Defense John Nott (left) greets New Zealand Prime Minister Robert Muldoon as he arrives at the Ministry of Defense, London, for talks Thursday. Nott announced Wednesday that he plans to retire at the next general election and return to business.

## BRIEFS

SOUL (R) — Four South Korean miners were rescued Friday two weeks after being trapped underground in a cave-in at a mine in the eastern city of Taebaek. Police said the miners had stayed alive by drinking water about 250 meters below the surface. Continued flooding of the pit from underground currents had hampered rescue work.

BONN (AFP) — The Soviet Union Thursday broke off its direct-dialing telephone links with West Germany. The Ministry of Posts announced here. The ministry said that telephone calls to Moscow, the only Soviet city with direct-dialing to West Germany, must now be transited through operators, involving possible delays of several hours. Last July Moscow warned West Germany, Austria, France, Britain, and the United States of a reduction in direct-dialing to and from the Soviet Union.

EAST LANSING, Michigan (AFP) — Physicists at Michigan State University said they have extracted a beam of nuclear particles for the first time from a cyclotron or atom-smasher. Physicist Henry Blosser said Thursday night that this "first in the field of atom-smashing" could open new vistas in physics and have important results for energy research and other areas of science.

KANSAS CITY, Missouri (AP) — Former U.S. first lady Bess Truman was hospitalized

Thursday night at Research Medical Center for the second time in five weeks, officials said. Mrs. Truman, 97, had spent several days in the Kansas City Hospital in early August for treatment of hyperkalemia, a buildup of potassium caused by diminished kidney function.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — A bus overturned 30 kilometers north of Haiti's capital city, leaving nine dead and 26 injured, police said. Authorities said the accident occurred late Wednesday near the town of Croix des Bouquets. The bus apparently hit a slab of cement where the highway was being repaired and overturned, according to authorities.

WASHINGTON (R) — The United States conducted an underground nuclear test Thursday in the Nevada Desert, the Energy Department announced. It said in a statement the explosion, the 12th U.S. test this year, had a yield of less than 20 kilotons. The department also said the United States has detected seismic signals indicating Soviet nuclear tests three times so far this year.

BANGKOK (AFP) — A major Phnom Penh road was renamed People's Republic of Poland Street Tuesday to mark Cambodia's solidarity with the Polish authorities, the Vietnam News Agency said in a report monitored here.

## Congressmen challenge Peru cabinet

LIMA, Sept. 3 (AP) — Opposition congressmen resorted to a constitutional law to force the government of President Fernando Belaunde Terry to account for the growing guerrilla violence, rising unemployment and poor economy.

The congressional challenge, the first of its kind since democracy was restored under a new constitution in 1980, could result in the resignation of the cabinet. The motion made Wednesday night was backed by several opposition parties, including the center-left Apristas, a leftist coalition and a few conservatives.

Sixty-four of the 110 members of House of Representatives approved a motion to interpellate the cabinet at a session expected to be held next week. Interpellation is a constitutional form of political challenge which allows the legislature to force the government to defend its action.

The ministers will be asked to explain what is being done to "confront the repeated acts of violence and serious attacks unleashed by the guerrillas" since Belaunde took office on July 28, 1980. Following the questioning, the house will deliver a vote of confidence or censure. If the vote is negative, the cabinet must resign.

But the chances of the cabinet being censured were slim because the congressional opposition lacks the 90 votes required by the constitution. The ruling Popular Action Party, in addition to its 98 representatives, can count on support from the conservative Popular Christian Party and other friendly congressmen.

The motion was presented by Javier Valle Riestra of the Aprista Party, who blamed the country's woes on government policies.

The Sendero Luminoso (shining path) guerrillas have claimed responsibility for nearly 3,000 guerrilla actions since May of 1980. The government, which claims 76 persons have died in the violence since the first of the year, has imposed a state of emergency, giving police powers of arrest and restricting individual rights in the Lima metropolitan area and several provinces.

Police sources estimate at least 1,000 persons have been detained for questioning in connection with the violence since the state of emergency began in Lima on Aug. 20.

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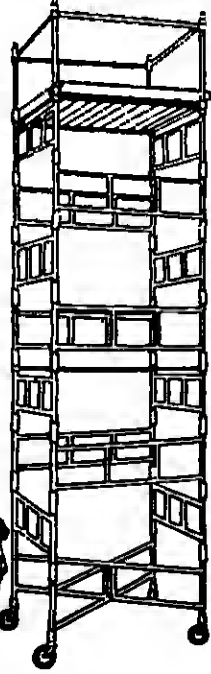
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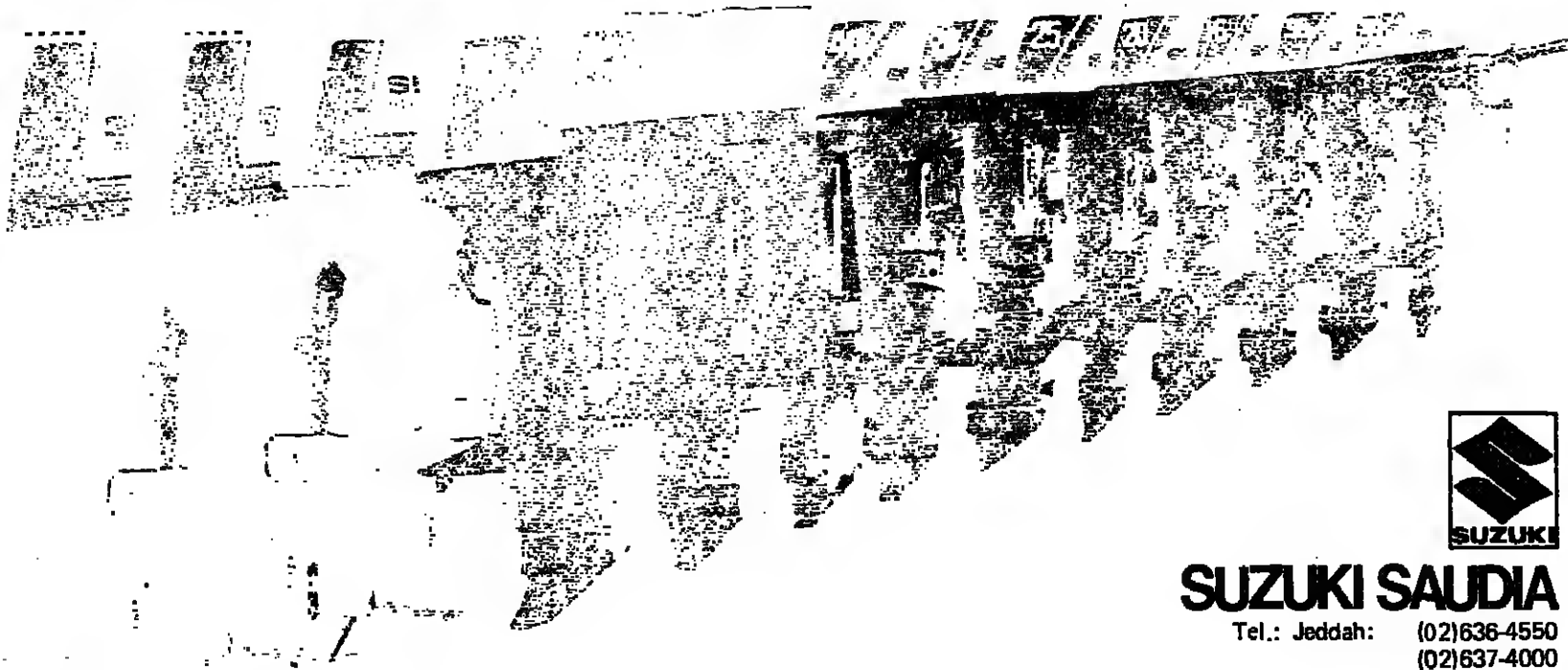
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## As IMF parley set

## Fears of lending crisis mount

TORONTO, Sept. 3 (AP) — Fears of an international lending crisis haunt a week of talks by finance ministers and leading bankers gathered from across the globe in search of economic cures to the world-wide recession.

The occasion is the annual meeting of the two major world lending organizations, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. Economic leaders from more than 140 nations are expected to attend sessions which get underway this weekend.

The mood is grim. Grim about a

## Europe bid to end U.S. row

LONDON, Sept. 3 (R) — Britain, France, West Germany and Italy coordinated tactics Friday in hopes of reversing a U.S. ban on gas pipeline equipment sales to the Soviet Union. Government officials said the four countries were seeking a face-saving formula that would enable President Reagan to drop sanctions against European suppliers. The sanctions have provoked bitter protests by the U.S. allies and have led to a major trans-Atlantic crisis.

Senior officials of the countries mainly affected met at a hurriedly arranged London conference to chart a joint policy for talks with the United States, to be held possibly next week. All sides wanted a "low-key, non-confrontational approach" to stop widening of the row which has disrupted the NATO alliance, European diplomats said.

Officials said the four governments wanted broad talks with the U.S. to cover all aspects of Reagan administration policy toward East-West trade, not just the controversial Siberia-to-West Europe pipeline.

Washington has threatened to blacklist European firms supplying components for

deteriorating economic outlook for rich and poor nations alike — about mounting financial strains on the world's most indebted countries — about a widening rift between the United States and its allies over trade, economic policies and relations with the Soviet Union.

The main dispute at the formal meetings involves money — how much more each member nation ought to chip in to the two institutions. The United States, whose ante determines all the others, is resisting any substantial increase. Informal discussions will

the pipeline by making it impossible for them to obtain American oil and gas-related equipment and technology. The sanctions could lead to heavy losses. U.S. officials have hinted a compromise might be reached, allowing pipeline shipments to continue, if European governments joined the U.S. in other forms of economic pressure against the Soviet Union.

One suggestion would bar European involvement in a projected second strand of the 4,500-kilometer pipeline, due to start pumping gas to Western Europe in 1984. Officials attending the London meeting were described as high-ranking diplomats and trade experts who have been working on the problem since Reagan extended pipeline sanctions to European firms in June.

Previous American sanctions, designed to hit the Kremlin for its involvement in Poland, affected only U.S.-based firms. Originally, the sanctions threatened to cut off all U.S. exports to European defaulters, but this week they were relaxed to cover only supplies for the oil and gas industries.

focus on the threats the international banking system faces from a growing list of troubled debtors unable to meet payments on their multi-billion-dollar debts, such as Mexico, Argentina, Poland and Cuba.

"Obviously, there is danger in the banking system at this point until such time as these problems can be worked out," cooed U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan, who is heading the American delegation.

In regards to the emergency aid plans that private and government lenders are negotiating with troubled countries to avert defaults that could trigger a crisis, Regan said, "we're hopeful they can be handled and they can be worked out."

"I think we can anticipate that there will be a lot of pessimism about the world economic situation and concern about the international financial system," Regan told reporters earlier this week. "But all of this needs to be balanced by a realistic appraisal of some of the positive things that are happening in the world economy."

He noted that inflation is easing in the industrial countries, prices for imported oil have softened, interest rates in the United States have fallen sharply and prospects are brighter for much improved economic growth in the industrial nations next year.

The IMF and World Bank do not see as many silver linings on the economic horizon.

## Japan, Iran

## to view project

TOKYO, Sept. 3 (R) — A Japanese delegation will visit Tehran this month for talks with Iran on their joint venture for a giant petrochemical complex in southern Iraq, a spokesman for the Mitsui group here said Friday.

Industry sources said the two sides would discuss financing to complete construction work on the complex which was halted at the start of Iraq's war with Iraq nearly two years ago when it was 85 percent complete.

The plant, in Bandar Khomeini, has been bombed six times by Iraqi planes during the conflict. The Mitsui spokesman said the delegation, leaving here Sept. 14 will comprise Karoku Yamaguchi, president of the Iro Chemical Development Company (ICDC) and representatives of Mitsui and four other firms.

The Multi-billion dollar project was started in 1971, when the five companies of the Mitsui group formed the ICDC, but the Japanese side is now refusing to furnish any fresh funds.

## Soviet workers ace shirkers

MOSCOW, Sept. 3 (R) — Workers at a Soviet factory in the Urals took turns having a week's holiday while colleagues covered for them at their machines, the Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* reported Friday.

The paper, calling for tougher measures against shirkers, cited the case as being symptomatic of widespread idleness and illegal absenteeism throughout Soviet industry. It said employees at the factory in Urals boasted to workers at other plants about their private holiday scheme.

The management did not notice the absent staff because the factory's production plan was being fulfilled without difficulty and one of those involved in the racket even received an honor for hard work, *Pravda* said.

It reminded readers that millions of people in the West were unemployed, and it made clear that many Soviet workers were exploiting their own guaranteed right to a day off in order to live a life of idleness.

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## U.S. jobless rate unchanged

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 (AP) — The nation's unemployment rate held steady at 9.8 percent in August, matching the highest rate of the last four decades, the government reported Friday. On the eve of the Labor Day holiday in the United States, some 10.8 million Americans are out of work.

Labor Department analysts cautioned against reading any good news in the new figures, which were essentially unchanged from July. "I wouldn't necessarily use the word 'stable' at this juncture," to describe the unemployment picture, said statistician John Breggar.

Among adult men, the jobless rate edged up to a post-World War II high of 8.9 percent. For other population groups, unemployment remained at record post-war levels. For all workers except those on farms, the bureau said employment fell by 210,000 in August to 89.5 million — the lowest level since April 1979. The bureau said the cutbacks were concentrated in durable-goods industries, such as autos, which lost 130,000 jobs, and in wholesale and retail trade, which was down 80,000.

In testimony prepared for the congressional joint economic committee, Janet L. Norwood, commissioner of labor statistics, said, "the unemployment rate for auto workers, which had been moving downward since January, increased sharply in August, to 20.8 percent."

At this time a year ago, 7.6 million Americans were out of work and the unemployment rate was 7.2 percent.

The August rate marked the sixth consecutive month joblessness has matched or exceeded the previous post-war recession high of 9 percent, set in May 1975, during the business slump brought on by the Arab oil embargo.

There was no immediate reaction from White House spokesmen who accompanied

President Ronald Reagan on his vacation to Santa Barbara, California.

When the jobless rate reached 9.8 percent in July, however, deputy White House Press Secretary Larry Speakes said Reagan was "sympathetic, deeply concerned and he believes his program, once fully enacted ... will provide a permanent solution to unemployment problems."

Since the pre-recession employment peak of July 1981, the proportion of the population with jobs has fallen from 58.5 percent to 57.1 percent. The bureau said the size of the overall labor force was essentially unchanged in August at 110.6 million.

Before the August figures were released, economists predicted that double-digit unemployment rates would surface over the next few months.

## Asians to get back Uganda property

KAMPALA, Sept. 3 (AFP) — Uganda's parliament passed the Expropriated Properties Act, which provides for the return of property confiscated by former President Idi Amin to the original owners, most of them Asian businessmen expelled in 1972.

The former owners will now be required to apply to the Uganda government for repossession of their property within 90 days.

Successful applicants will be given 120 days to return and resettle in Uganda, where they will be obliged to manage the property personally. They will not be able to sell it or transfer it for at least five years.

## Global sugar output may hit record

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 (AP) — World sugar output, which soared to price-depressing levels in 1981-82, is headed for, near-record production in the year ahead, the U.S. Agriculture Department has said.

But the huge supply will not mean lower prices for American consumers. Prices are being propped up by U.S. import quotas and federal price supports.

Total output for the sugar marketing year which ended Aug. 31 was estimated at a record 97.9 million metric tons, up from the previous forecast of 96.3 million tons last May.

Officials said the 1982-83 world crop could yield 95 million to 97 million metric tons. Production of beet sugar is expected to decline about 1.5 million tons, but cane sugar may not drop so much. A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds.

The huge world sugar output in the season just completed triggered a sharp increase in surpluses and plummeting prices on the international market.

With 1981-82 sugar consumption estimated at about 91 million metric tons, that means an inventory buildup of nearly seven million tons, the report said.

Consequently, that could push global stockpiles to 28.1 million metric tons — 31 percent of total consumption — and far above the 25 percent generally regarded as a good balance, it said.

"World consumption, discouraged by poor economic growth, is unlikely to rise above 93 million tons" in 1982-83, "so another sugar surplus appears probable and prices will stay low." Prices of raw sugar in the Caribbean, which are used as the world price, averaged 6.8 cents per pound in August, about half what they were a year earlier. World raw sugar prices averaged 16.9 cents per pound in 1981 and 29 cents in 1980.

President Ronald Reagan in May ordered import quotas to protect domestic producers from cheap foreign sugar being dumped on the U.S. market and to forestall large federal purchases of domestic sugar under federal price support programs.

## Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday

	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.13	9.137
Bangladesh Taka		15.35
Belgian Franc (1,000)		72.70
Canadian Dollar		278.50
Deutsche Mark (100)	139.70	139.48
Dutch Guilder (100)	127.65	127.45
Egyptian Pound	3.35	3.40
Emirate Dirham (100)	93.50	93.70
French Franc (100)	49.75	49.68
Greek Drachma (1,000)	49.52	49.40
Indian Rupee (100)		35.86
Iranian Ryal (100)		
Israeli Sheqel (100)	24.90	24.75
Japanese Yen (1,000)		13.40
Jordanian Dinar	9.70	9.615
Kuwaiti Dinar	11.85	11.83
Lebanese Lira (100)	72.25	71.85
Moroccan Dirham (100)		55.78
Pakistani Rupee (100)		27.95
Philippines Peso (100)		40.40
Round Sterling	6.00	5.985
Saudi Riyal (100)	94.00	94.56
Singapore Dollar (100)		160.45
Spanish Peseta (1,000)		30.80
Swiss Franc (100)	164.25	164.05
Syrian Lira (100)	58.80	59.95
Turkish Lira (1,000)		
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## 1. SHIPS DISCHARGING:

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1A	Amal	Sedaka	Loading Cars	1.9.82
3	Agios Eleftherios	Star	Contra/Gen./Timber	31.8.82
3	Anika	Baoboud	General	1.9.82
5	Wakura Maru	Alireza	General	1.9.82
6	Elpan	Alisabah	Bagged Barley	2.9.82
7	Arab Al Hijaz	S.C.S.A.	General	31.8.82
8	Turkiye	A.A.	Bagged Barley	31.8.82
11	Arc Aeolus	A.E.T.	St/Contr/Barley	31.8.81
17	Rashidiah	Baoboud	Gen./M/Water	30.8.82
18	Achilleus	Roloco	Bulk Cement	26.8.82
20	Jablanica	A.A.	Bagged Barley	23.8.82
21	Saudi Taif	M.E.S.A.	Sugar/Polys/Gen.	30.8.82
22	Macca	Bamaodah	Cement	13.8.82
24	Saudi Palm	M.E.S.C.	Cement/Gen.	26.8.82
26	Saudi Jeddah	M.E.S.A.	General	31.8.81
31	Olympian Reefer	O.C.E.	Reefer	26.8.82
32	Thamar	Star	Durra	19.8.82
32	Australia Reefer	Star	Reefer	31.8.82
37	Talbah 2	Najd	General	1.9.82
37	Mahmoudy	El Hawi	Gen./Bgd. Cargo	30.8.82
39	Transworld Sailor	Star	Durra	25.8.82
39	Elvina	Feyez	Durra	30.8.82
40	Spes	A.E.T.	Gen./Steel	29.8.82
41	Rawlins-1	Durra	Durra	24.8.82
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6	California	Saita	Steel/Gen.	26.8.82
7	Kriti Rubi	Kanoo	General	1.9.82
11	Barakat	Ori	General	24.8.82
12	Carriana Orchid	UEP	Pipes/Steel	23.8.82
14	Tai Ning	Sea	General	20.8.82
18	Mimra	UEP	General	2.9.82
19	Karin	Alasada	Gen./Conts.	1.9.82
21	Warsak	SEA	Gen./Conts.	31.8.82
22	Chalm Everett	Gulf	Gen./Conts.	31.8.82
28	Santa Clara	SMC	Cars	31.8.82
31	Dicio	Kanoo	Gen./Rice	2.9.82
34	Katerina-C	SSMS	Timber/Gen.	1.9.82
34	Katerina-C	SSMS	General	1.9.82
35	Quedlin Borg	Kanoo	Bulk Cement	26.8.82
36	Molde (DB)	Alisabah	Bulk Cement	31.8.82
37	Bellster (DB)	Barber	Bulk Cement	31.8.82
38	United Cove (DB)	Globe	Bulk Cement	31.8.82

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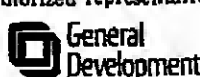
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## Squires, Law rally White Sox

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 (AP) — Mike Squires and Vance Law belted consecutive two-out doubles in the bottom of the 10th inning Thursday night to rally the Chicago White Sox to a 6-5 victory over the Texas Rangers.

After Texas starter Steve Comer, 1-5, retired the first two Chicago batters in the 10th, Squires doubled to center. Law then greeted reliever Danny Darwin with a ground-rule double down the right-field line.

Chicago's Harold Bailes had sent the game into extra innings when he drilled a two-out, solo homer in the bottom of the ninth inning. The homer was Baines' 20th of the year. There were no games in the National League.

In other games Thursday, Detroit downed California 6-3 as Lance Parrish homered twice. Parrish's solo homers, his 25th and 26th of the year, broke the Detroit record for homers by a catcher in a season. Bill Freehan held the previous record of 25.

Aurelio Lopez, who was recalled Wednesday from Detroit's top farm team, hurled six innings of one-hit relief. Greg Luzinski clubbed his seventh homer of the year for Chicago. Lamar Johnson had hit his seventh homer of the year, a two-run blast, to give Texas a 5-3 lead in the sixth.

Milwaukee edged Cleveland 2-1 in the first game of a doubleheader as four Brewer pitchers overcame a fine effort by Cleveland's Rick Sutcliffe in sending the Indians to their eighth straight loss. Sutcliffe, 11-6, tossed a four-hitter and allowed only one earned run. But the Indians got only Von Hayes' 11th homer of the year off Milwaukee starter Moose Haas and relievers Dwight Bernard, Rolfe Fingers and Pete Ladd.

In the second game, Voo Hayes cracked a three-run, ninth-inning homer as Cleveland edged an eight-game losing streak with a 4-2 victory. The Cleveland victory spoiled Doo Sutton's American League debut. Sutton, acquired from Houston on Monday, took a five-hitter into the ninth.

Meanwhile, a move to make amateur baseball an official event at the 1988 Seoul Olympics has come from the Association of International Amateur Baseball (AIBA) to Seoul. Baseball will be played as a demonstration event in the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics.

Competing in the 10-nation World Amateur Baseball Championship in Seoul will be the United States, Canada, the Netherlands, Italy, Korea, Australia, Japan, the Dominican Republic, Panama and Taiwan. Title-holders Cuba are not competing.



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### Major League standings

American League					National League				
Eastern Division					Eastern Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB	
Milwaukee	79	54	.594	—	St. Louis	76	56	.576	—
Boston	74	58	.560	4½	Philadelphia	73	60	.549	3½
Baltimore	73	58	.557	5	Montreal	71	62	.534	5½
Detroit	67	64	.511	11	Pittsburgh	70	63	.526	6½
New York	67	64	.511	11	Chicago	59	75	.440	13
Cleveland	62	68	.476	15½	New York	51	80	.389	24½
Toronto	61	73	.455	18½					
Western Division					Western Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB	
Kansas City	77	56	.579	—	Atlanta	75	58	.564	—
California	75	58	.564	2	Los Angeles	74	60	.552	1½
Chicago	70	62	.530	6½	San Diego	69	65	.515	6½
Seattle	62	70	.470	14½	San Francisco	66	67	.496	9
Oakland	58	76	.433	19½	Houston	63	70	.474	12
					Chicago	51	82	.383	24

## Sockers tumble into semis

SAN DIEGO, California, Sept. 3 (AP) — Mexico-born Vidal Fernandez rammed in a goal with 2:41 remaining to lift the San Diego Sockers to a 2-1 victory over Vancouver Thursday night to advance to the semifinals of the North American Soccer League for the fourth consecutive year.

With the victory, the Sockers open a best-of-three playoff against the New York Cosmos Sunday. Trailing 1-0 with more than 15 minutes remaining, the Sockers regrouped and knotted the score on a goal by Hungary-born Julie Veece at 76:14.

After a scoreless first half, Allan Taylor of England had given Vancouver a 1-0 lead in the 63rd minute.

Played before 8,857, it was the 12th victory in 15 games for the streaking Sockers, who finished second in the NASL West behind Seattle.

San Diego goalkeeper West Germany's Volkmar Gross, now 10-1 lifetime against Vancouver, made four saves and the Sockers outshot the Whitecaps 38-15. Vancouver outminded Tino Lettieri of Canada had 11 saves.

Meanwhile, three Cosmos stars, goalkeeper Hubert Birkenmeier, midfielder Vladislav

Bogicevic and forward Giorgio Chinaglia, joined Montreal defender Frantz Mathien as the top vote-getters at their positions for the NASL All-Star team.

The entire North American Soccer League All-Star squad will be announced next week. Italy-born Chinaglia had 20 goals and 15 assists this season for 55 points. Bogicevic, of Yugoslavia, became the only player in NASL history to collect over 100 career assists. Birkenmeier, of West Germany, chalked up four shutouts this season, giving him 21 for his Cosmos career.

Haiti's Mathien solidified the Manic defense, which allowed the fewest goals in the league this season, 43.

### Benitez to fight Hearn

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 (AP) — World Boxing Council (WBC) light-middleweight champion Wilfredo Benitez of Puerto Rico defends against the Detroit hit-man Tommy Hearn on December 3 at a venue to be decided later, promoter Don King announced here Thursday.

Both fighters were former world welterweight champions before moving up a grade. Both had also lost their titles to Sugar Ray Leonard.

## As fancied Ballesteros lags in European Open

## Brilliant Norman grabs 3-stroke lead

SUNNINGDALE, England, Sept. 3 (Agencies) — Australian golfer Greg Norman eclipsed the 56-year-old record of legendary American Bobby Jones when he fired a six-under-par 64 in the first round of the European Open Golf Championship here Thursday.

Norman, the biggest mooney-winner in Europe this season, went two shots better on the redesigned "old course" than Jones in his "perfect round of golf" in the British Open qualifying tournament of 1926. Jones described his round, commemorated on a plaque in the Sunningdale Club house, and the finest he ever played and observers swore it was the nearest thing to golf perfection.

But 27-year-old Norman brushed aside that memory and mused on how he could complete a round in under 60 strokes, a feat never performed in Europe, though Italian Baldavino Dassu came close with a 60 in the 1971 Swiss Open. "To have a chance of breaking 60 I have to pot on with the medium irons. The five-six-sevens are the key clubs for this course. But if I can get out to 29 or 30 then I have a real chance," the tall blond Australian said.

Norman's sensational round gave him a three-stroke lead in the tournament ahead of Britain's Sam Torrance.

Norman, who has won over \$100,000 in Europe this season, is brimming with confidence. "If I could putt like Ray Floyd on one would ever catch me," he said. "Conditions were perfect and that was just about as good as I could play. I was disappointed at missing birdie chances on the 10th and 16th, but a 64 was an honest score for the way I played. I still say a 59 can be shot there because the course is in such superb shape. It really is a realistic target."

Norman, who carded eight threes and 10 fours, had a high total of 32 putts but his long game was matchless. "Greg was simply marvellous. He is going to take an awful lot of catching in this form," Torrance, his playing partner, said.

Defending champion Graham Marsh of Australia is one of 10 golfers bracketed equal third on 68, one behind Torrance and four adrift of Norman. Another is Briton Sandy Lyle, the 1979 champion, who spoiled his round on the final hole when he drove so far off line that a spectator assumed the ball belonged to the nearby practice ground and threw it there. Lyle had to drop in heather and could not reach the green.

Title favorite Severiano Ballesteros of Spain managed only two birdies after a four-week lay-off and shook his head sadly after a two-over-par 72, eight strokes off the lead.

Meanwhile, staying in the fairways and out of trouble to match the best competitive round of his career, virtual unknown Mike Smith fired a 65 Thursday to grab the first round lead of the \$275,000 B.C. Open in New York.

Tom Kite, who won the Professional Gol-

fers' Association tour event in 1978, and late-starter Jerry Pate each fashioned a 67, while 15 players were stacked at 68, three shots off the pace.

Smith started in the first threesome of the day and watched his score stand up throughout a long afternoon. "The key today was driving the ball. I kept it in the fairway and that's important here. I also got a little lucky with a couple of chip-ins," Smith said.

One came during Smith's 32-stroke, 5-under front nine, when he started a string of three straight birdies by chipping-in from

20 feet away of the seven the hole. Another was an 80-footer on No. 15 for his only birdie on the back nine.

Logjams were the rule for the first round of the 72-hole tournament with 48 of 156 entrants breaking par-71 on the 6,966-yard Eo-Joie Golf Club course. A total of 15 players shot 69, another 15 fired 70 and 21 were benched at par, including Craig Stadler, who shot to the top of golf's money heap at \$428,101 by winning his fourth tournament last week at the World Series of Golf in Akron, Ohio. Lee Trevino shot a 1-over 72.

## With fine tons by Davison, Balderstone

## Leicester inching to top

LONDON, Sept. 3 (AFP) — Centuries from Zimbabwean Brian Davison and Chris Balderstone, and a scene-setting 77 from David Gower, enabled Leicestershire to continue their surge toward a successful end to the English cricket season.

By the 72nd over of their first innings in their County Championship match against Glamorgan at Grace Road they had eight hoos points in the bag. Victory, which looks very possible Friday, would take them within. Two points of Middlesex, the leaders of the championship.

Each County will have two matches to play then Middlesex against Hampshire and away to Worcestershire, while Leicestershire away to both Nottinghamshire and Kent. Leicestershire went on to make the most of their game in hand, reaching 411 for six, a lead of 203, before declaring.

Davison's century in 121 minutes included a six, a five and 11 fours, and Balderstone hit eight fours in his 118 made in 238 minutes. West Indian Andy Roberts, who had destroyed Glamorgan in their first innings with six for 38 — his best for the County — soon struck again with the wicket of Alan Lewis Jones, leg before, while the Welshmen were scratching together 16 runs.

Graham Gooch, whose form improves as the summer progresses, hit his second century in successive innings as Essex dominated the second day at Chelmsford. Keat were 20 for two at the close, still needing 151 to save them from innings defeat.

Gooch, one of the English players banned from Tests for three years for going on an unauthorized tour of South Africa, followed his 140 against Surrey Tuesday with 127 in 192 minutes, 80 of those runs coming in boundaries. Essex declared at 300 for six.

There was a splendid century, too, from Surrey's West Indian-born Monte Lynch. His 102 off 107 balls included three sixes and nine fours but, even so, Surrey could muster no more than 296 and three batting points in

reply to this Sussex were 97 for one, batting as though they saw little remaining in the rain-ravaged game.

Warwickshire, like Glamorgan, are without a championship victory, and look like remaining so. Though they were 92 ahead of Somerset after two declarations at Taunton, they lost eight wickets in adding 97 to that advantage and the initiative switched to the home County.

Yorkshire, meanwhile, have decided to keep on 50-year-old Ray Illingworth, the former England captain, as captain next season. They also extended his job as team manager for another two years. Illingworth replaced Chris Old as captain in June.

Hampshire struck two quick blows to Derbyshire after taking a slender 16 runs lead at Derby. Derbyshire restricted the "Hants" to 255 for nine declared and were just 16 runs ahead with eight wickets in hand. D. Humphries (98) and (98) — Pakistani Younis Ahmed (50) kept Worcestershire going against Nottinghamshire at Worcester. The home County finished 49 runs in arrears in the first innings, while Notts added 49 more to the lead, losing a wicket in the bargain, at the close.

Former England captain Brian Close's international cricket XI thrashed the Pakistanis by an innings and 46 runs in two days at Scarborough.

The same teams will now use up the suddenly spare day Friday at the Scarborough cricket festival with a 40 overs a side game.

Close's team ran up a first innings lead of 180 thanks to an immaculate century by New Zealand Martin Crowe and a powerful 63 by Barbadian Franklyn Stephenson, who hit three sixes and seven fours in an innings that lasted only 16 overs.

Mohsin Khan followed up his first innings 52 with 85 in the second Pakistan innings but Pakistan was never in the hunt after three wickets fell for 59 runs.



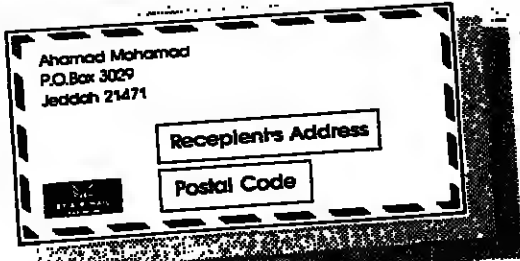
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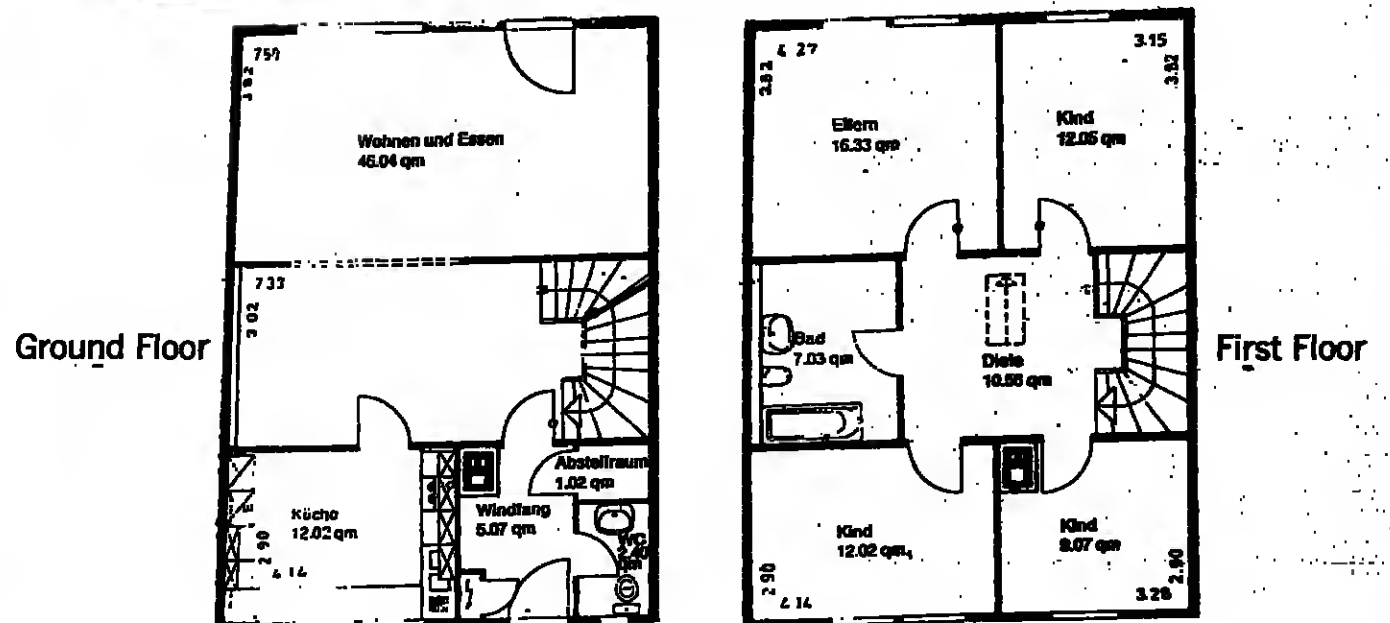
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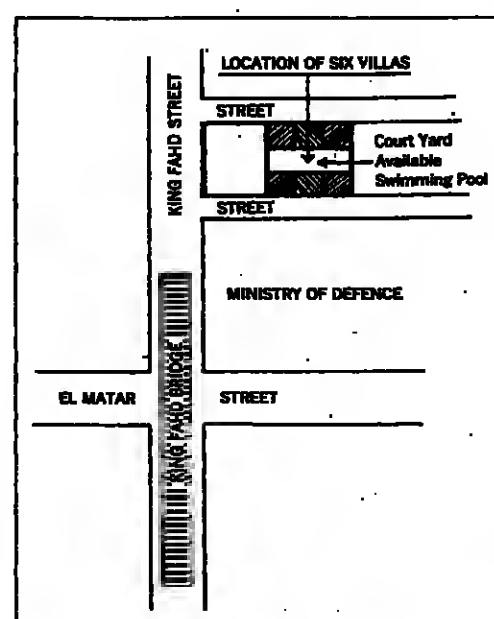
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## Before bowing out in opener

## Gullikson makes McEnroe toil

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 (AP) — Riding his booming serve and moving to the net at every chance, top-seeded John McEnroe began the defense of his U.S. Open Championship Thursday by downing a stubborn Tim Gullikson 7-6, 6-4, 7-5 at the National Tennis Center.

The 1981 women's winner and third-seeded this year, Tracy Austin had to struggle from behind to stave off the upset bid by Beth Norton 7-6, 6-3 in a second-round match.

The night's final match, pitting No. 3 Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia against Tim Mayotte, was postponed when a heavy thunderstorm hit Louis Armstrong Stadium with Lendl leading 6-4, 1-2, the Czech serving at 30-15 in the fourth game.

Advancing into the third round of the men's singles were sixth-seeded Gene Mayer and No. 9 Yannick Noah of France, while No. 13

Mark Edmondson of Australia was upset by Matt Doyle and No. 15 Raul Ramirez of Mexico lost to Schalk Van Der Merwe of South Africa.

In the women's singles, five-time champion Chris Evert Lloyd moved into the third round. While No. 10 Barbara Potter and No. 11 Mima Jausovec of Yugoslavia became the first women seeds to be ousted.

Mayer defeated Stefan Simonsson of Sweden 6-2, 6-1, 6-1; Noah stopped Brian Gottfried 6-3, 6-4, 6-4; Doyle surprised Edmondson 1-6, 7-6, 7-5, 6-2 and Van Der Merwe ousted Ramirez 6-2, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.

Lloyd needed just 41 minutes to crush Kelly Henry 6-1, 6-1, while Potter fell to Rosie Fairbank of South Africa 6-4, 6-1 and amateur Gretchen Rush eliminated Jausovec 7-5, 2-6, 6-4.

Norton, who had taken just five games in her first two matches with Austin, had a 5-3

lead and was serving for the first set when she was broken. Austin then took the tiebreaker 7-4.

The two traded service breaks in the third and fourth games of the second set before Austin broke Norton again in the sixth game to take a 4-2 lead. She held her next two serves to advance into the third round. In knocking off Jausovec, Rush eliminated the 1977 French Open champion.

The world's richest tournament, America's premier tennis event, runs through Sept. 12, when the singles champions will collect \$90,000 each. McEnroe, completing a match which had been halted by rain and a light failure Wednesday night, showed the agility and mobility that has carried him to three straight U.S. Open titles.

McEnroe and the right-handed half of the tennis-playing Gullikson twins had traded service breaks and were tied 3-3 Wednesday night before rain forced postponement of the rest of the game until Thursday. The two then held serve, sending the opening set to a tiebreaker which McEnroe won 7-2.

McEnroe broke Gullikson in the fifth game of the second set as he began dominating play. The defending champion was holding serve at love or at 15, while Gullikson had to fight back from 15-40 in the third game and from deuce in the seventh.

Gullikson took a 3-0 lead in the third set, breaking McEnroe in the second game. But the talented left-hander captured the next five games before Gullikson held serve, then broke McEnroe in the 10th game.

McEnroe broke right back in the 11th game, although Gullikson fought off four break points before falling. The champion, serving for the match for the second time, then closed it out after going to deuce.

Lloyd whipped through Henry as if it were practice, which, basically, it was. The qualifier seemed to be in awe of her opponent. Capturing a first round match which had been washed out on Wednesday, was fifth-seeded Hana Mandlikova of Czechoslovakia.

## Borg to vie for Montreal title

MONTREAL, Canada, Sept. 3 (AP) — Swedish star Bjorn Borg, absent from the regular tennis circuit most of the year because of a dispute over qualifying, said Thursday that he will play in a \$250,000 tournament in Montreal later this month.

Borg and 1982 Wimbledon champion Jimmy Connors of the United States will head a 12-man field for the tournament, called the Molson Light Challenge, to be held Sept. 30 to Oct. 3.

Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia, ranked No. 4 by the Association of Tennis Professionals computer, and American Vitas Gerulaitis, ranked fifth, will also compete.

"My physical condition is pretty good at the moment," said Borg in a telephone interview. "I've been playing every day for three or four hours. I think the only thing I'm lacking is a bit of strength, and I haven't played very many matches."

Under the format of the Montreal event, the top four seeds will get byes to the quar-

terfinals, while the bottom eight will play straight elimination matches. The draw also includes Borg's 17-year-old countryman, Mats Wilander.



Borg... back in action

## Forest may field Birtles against Brighton

LONDON, Sept. 3 (AFP) — Striker Gary Birtles Thursday returned to Nottingham Forest for 300,000 pounds and is almost certain to be included in the side for the home game against Brighton Saturday.

The deal was completed after weeks of negotiations between Forest and Manchester United, where Birtles never really settled after leaving Forest for 1.2 million pounds in October 1980.

After re-signing for his former club, Birtles said, "It was a bit disconcerting while the discussions were going on between the two managers."

"I am glad to be going back to Forest because I owe so much to their manager, Brian Clough, and to his former assistant Peter Taylor, who gave me my chance in league football. I hope to be there for several years."

The much-traveled football manager Tommy Docherty of Scotland is set to take over the Austrian national team, it was reported in Vienna.

The 54-year-old former Scottish international player, who currently lives in Melbourne, Australia, is negotiating conditions with Austrian Football Association chairman Walter Zips before accepting the job.

Austria's previous manager, Franz Wochner, was criticized after the team staged a "go-slow" in their World Cup first round match with West Germany.

Spain, meanwhile, is fast becoming a paradise for foreign football players. A total of 49 foreigners will be playing for the 18 Spanish First Division teams this season, seven more than ever before.

There will be 14 non Spanish newcomers when the 1982-83 program kicks off this weekend. The biggest contingent, 23, come from Argentina, because that country's players enjoy dual nationality with Spain, enabling them to evade the rule limiting the number of foreign players per club to two.

Despite that rule, some clubs will still have to many foreigners and will have to lend one to another club or leave him on the touchline. Barcelona, for instance, have the services of Argentina's Diego Maradona, West Germany's Bernd Schuster and Denmark's Alan Simonsen.

Simonsen, the team's most outstanding player last season, will be left out of the squad for the opening match. Since Laurie Cunningham of Britain seems to be almost permanently injured, his club Real Madrid have signed Dutchman Johnny Metgod, to play

alongside West German World Cup player Ulrich Siekiele.

Espanol Barcelona are likely to drop Belgium's Theo Clusters following the signing of Cameroon national team goalkeeper Thomas N'Kono. The same fate could befall Argentine player Daniel Gasparini because of the arrival at Malaga of Honduras World Cup defender Allan Anthony Costly.

After Argentina, the countries best represented in Spanish football are Paraguay (5), West Germany, Denmark and Brazil (3), and Britain, Uruguay and Honduras (2). Belgium, Austria, Netherlands, Chile, Mexico and Cameroon have one man each in Spain.

The value of foreign players is still questioned by the three Basque clubs, Real Sociedad of San Sebastian, Bilbao and Pampelona, who refuse to sign anyone but Spanish nationals. The limitation on their recruitment policy did not stop Real Sociedad from winning the league championship for the second successive time last season.



Edmondson ... stunned in second

## Payoff scandal threatens to rock U.K. rugby

LONDON, Sept. 3 (AFP) — New illegal payment scandal is threatening to stagger British Rugby Union.

A number of Welsh internationals have received letters from West German sports firm Adidas pointing out that details of cash payments have been forwarded to the government land revenue at the request of tax officials. As a result the Welsh Rugby Union Federation has announced it will probe into the matter.

English Rugby Union internationals are also thought to be involved in the payments, but the English Rugby Union Association has refused to comment.

Meanwhile, former international prop forward Mike Burton said in a BBC interview that he once found a wad of banknotes in his rugby boots before an international in Paris and that his boots were scarcely concealed advertising marks. Burton, capped 18 times, impaired his amateur status recently when he wrote a book on his career and pocketed the royalties.

Meanwhile, Australian Rugby Union selectors named a near-Test strength team to play counties in Pukekohe, New Zealand, Saturday.

The Wallabies' unbeaten record in provincial matches in New Zealand came to a shattering end Wednesday when Bay of Plenty romped home 40-16 at Rotorua.

In naming their team four selectors have made only three changes to the Australian team which defeated the All-Blacks in the second Test at Wellington last weekend. The only players who celebrated that victory, who are not playing Saturday are captain and five-eighth Mark Ella, his brother and outside-center Gary, and injured second rower Duncan Hall.

Australian coach Bob Dwyer is anxious for another win Saturday to boost team morale for the third and deciding test in Auckland on Sept. 11.

## Soccer results

West Germany			Yugoslavia		
Bayer Leverkusen	1	Bochum	0	Galenika Zemun	1
Borussia Dortmund	2	Cologne	0	OSK Beograd	2
Alemannia Bielefeld	2	Eintracht	1	Soboda Tuzla	0
Karlsruhe	0	Frankfurt	0	Dinamo Vukovic	1
Nuremberg	0	Bayern Munich	4	Vardar Skopje	5
	0	Stuttgart	5	Partizan Belgrade	1
Sweden			Soviet Union		
Aik	0	Orgyrie	0	Vojvodina Novi Sad	1
Brage	3	Arvidsberg	0	Rasnicki NIS	1
Elfsborg	2	Kalmar	0	Rijeka	1
IFK Gothenburg	1	Malmö	1		
Norrköping	0	Halmstad	1		
Oster	0	Hälsjö	1		
Belgium			Czechoslovakia		
Lokeren	2	RWD Molenbeek	1	Dukla Praha	1
Beerschot	3	CS Bruges	2	Bohemians Praha	0
Tongres	1	FC Liège	1		
FC Bruges	3	Anderlecht	1	ZVL Zina	1
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## BRIEFS

NEW YORK (AP) — American Steve Scott, determined to prove "there are more than two great athletes in the world," and New Zealander John Walker, calling the race "the best publicity track and field could have," will try to dethrone Sydney Maree as champion of the Fifth Avenue Mile Saturday.

GOODWOOD (AFP) — Joe Waugh was named in the England squad for the cycling event at the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane in four weeks time, which gives him the chance to end a notable career in style.

LONDON (AFP) — Top British promoter Len Silver wants world speedway champion Bruce Penhall stripped of his title if the American retires from the sport. Silver said he would also press the speedway authorities "to recognize the winner of Sunday's Embassy British Open at White City as the new champion."

PORTO CERVO, Sardinia (AFP) — Hong Kong is one of the outside favorites for next week's Sardinia Cup, Europe's most important Yacht Racing competition apart from Britain's Admirals Cup. England, Italy and the United States have the best records of success in open events.

HONG KONG (AFP) — The world's top 16 table tennis players will compete in the \$45,000 third "555 World Cup" to be held here from October 5 to 9. First prize will be \$15,000.

SCHWERIN, East Germany (R) — The European Junior Amateur Boxing Championships open here Saturday night with 153 competitors from 22 countries participating in the one-week event. The Soviet Union are again expected to earn the majority of the medals, with British, Irish, West German or Bulgarian boxers being their main challengers.

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) — The Sao Paulo state women's volleyball team, filling in for Mexico, beat Argentina 15-12, 15-11, 13-15, 15-8 here Thursday night in an exhibition training tournament prior to the World Championship in Peru.

BIGGIN HILL, Kent (AFP) — Sixty pilots of light-weight low-cost aircraft known as microlights took off from Biggin Hill airfield here this morning on the first stage of the first London-Paris Rally of this kind.

## British athletes should strike it rich at Athens

ATHENS, Sept. 3 (R) — World middle-distance running, raised to a new level of excellence in the last two years by Britons Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett, look set to raise further at the European Athletics Championships starting here Monday.

While Ovett's withdrawal because of a severe hamstring injury Thursday is a tremendous loss to the seven-day championships, his absence will give Britain's newest star, Steve Cram, the chance to prove himself a worthy successor. And there is plenty of recent evidence that Coe, after six weeks away from the track to allow a stress fracture of the leg to mend, is back to his best, record-breaking form.

But while they and others of the new generation of Britain's middle-distance runners seem likely to provide the memorable moments of the championships, eastern Europe can again be expected to muscle in on the major share of medals. Soviet and East German with their likely domination of the women's track program, will almost certainly boast the two Communist nations to the top of the medals table.

At the last championships in Prague four years ago, the Soviet Union won 13 gold medals and East Germany 12 next came West Germany and Italy with four each.

Shot putter Udo Beyer is one of seven East Germans returning to defend titles. His put of 22.15 meters in July 1978 is still the world record and he is the only athlete to have

approached that mark this year with 21.94 meters.

There is the prospect of an exhilarating battle in the decathlon with Britain's Daley Thompson out to regain the world record he lost last month to strapping young West German Juergen Hingsen. But otherwise it is only in the men's track events that West European athletes can be counted on to prevail.

Even for a traditionally strong running nation, the present crop of British runners is exceptional. The class of talent was demonstrated last Monday when, without Ovett, a British quartet shattered the world four x 800 meters relay record. The main contributors to the record were Coe and the 21-year-old Cram, who both ran under one minute 45 seconds in difficult, windy conditions even though he had the benefit of a rolling start. Coe's time of 1:44.01 fastest in the world this year was outstanding.

Coe is surely the most gifted of the British runners. Lightly built but with a huge stride he manages to combine perfect balance with searing speed and it seems only a recurrence of injury can deny him the 800 meters gold medal.

Coe has also been named Britain's reserve in the 1,500 meters the event he won at the 1980 Olympics in Moscow and now that Ovett has withdrawn he has to decide whether to attempt the double, no one has achieved at the championships.

## Malone puts Rockets in a quandary

By Dawn Liddicott  
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, Sept. 3 — Moses Malone, a two-time Most Valuable Player (MVP) considered by many to be the best offensive rebounder in NBA history, signed a \$13.2 million (\$R45 million) offer sheet with the Philadelphia 76ers Thursday, leaving the Houston Rockets officials with a difficult decision.

The Rockets will receive the contract Friday and have 15 days to review their options and make a decision. They can 1) match the offer and keep Malone; 2) match the offer and trade Malone; or 3) fail to match the offer and allow Malone to escape without compensation.

Malone's attorney, Lee Fentress said it will be a tough choice. "Will the Rockets match this thing, keep Moses and lose money? Or will they go about restructuring their backlist with a better economic base? There is so much for them to consider."

Harold Katz, sole owner of the 76ers and creator of the multi-million dollar contract, said "We lacked a great rebounder, and Moses is just that. It's a good business deal for Philadelphia."

Under the contract, Malone will earn \$13.2 million (\$R45 million) over a six year period, drawing \$2.2 million (\$R7.5 million) per year, over ten times the average NBA salary, which is the highest among all professional sports leagues.

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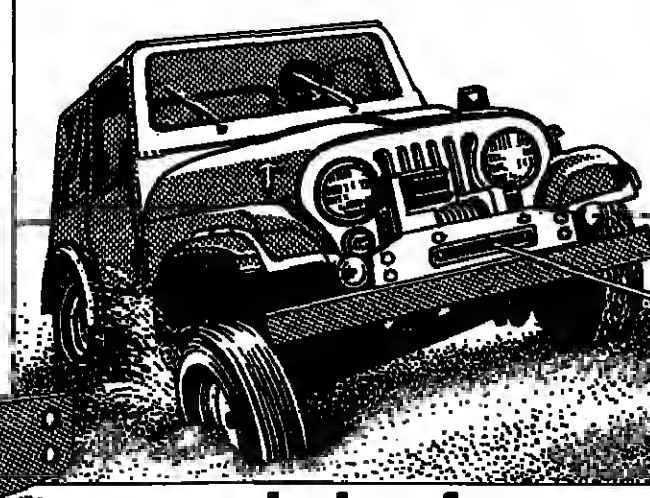
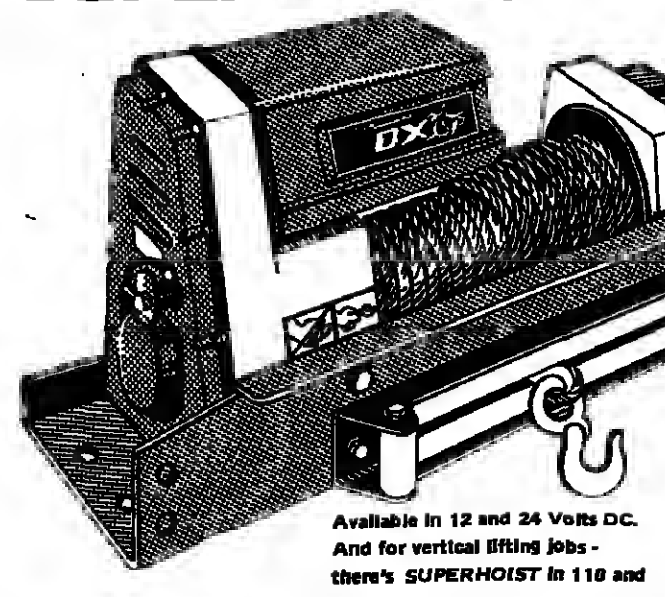
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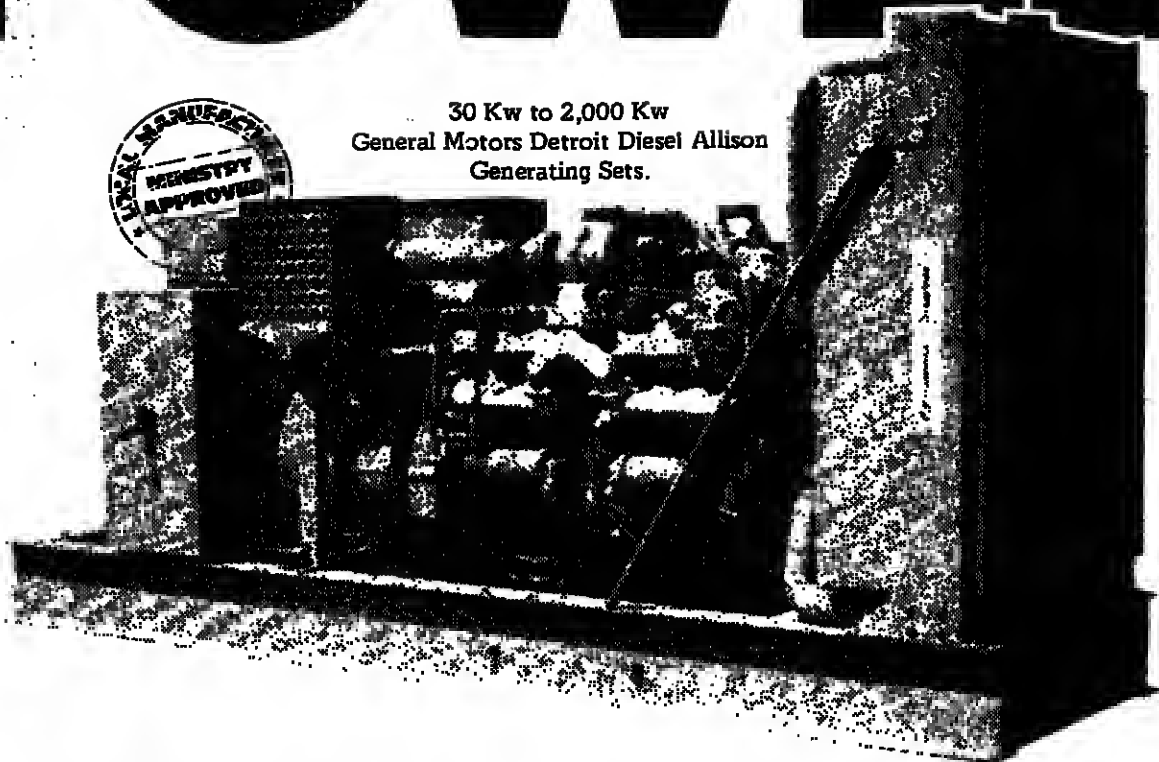
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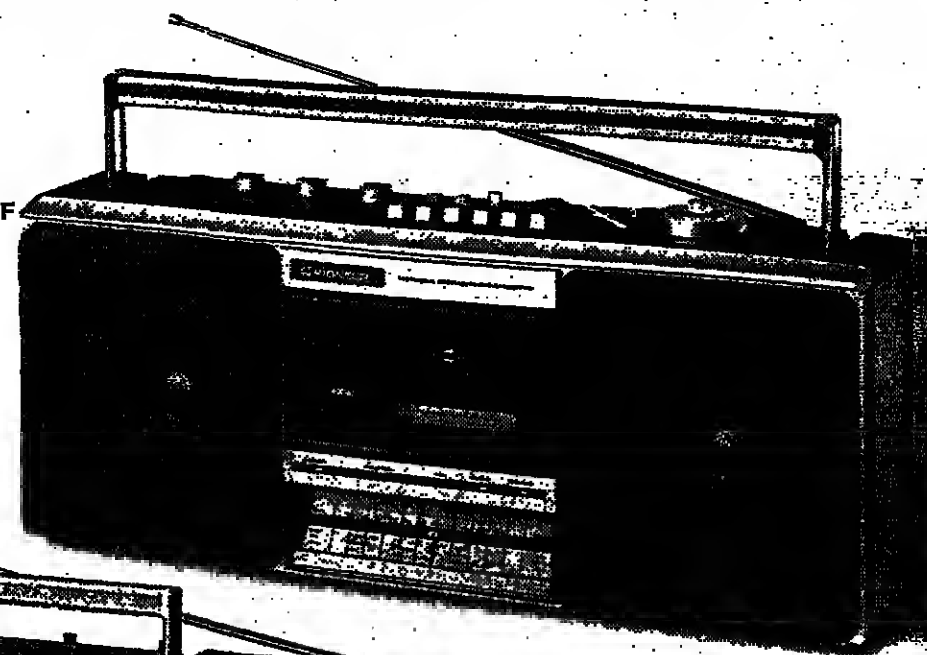


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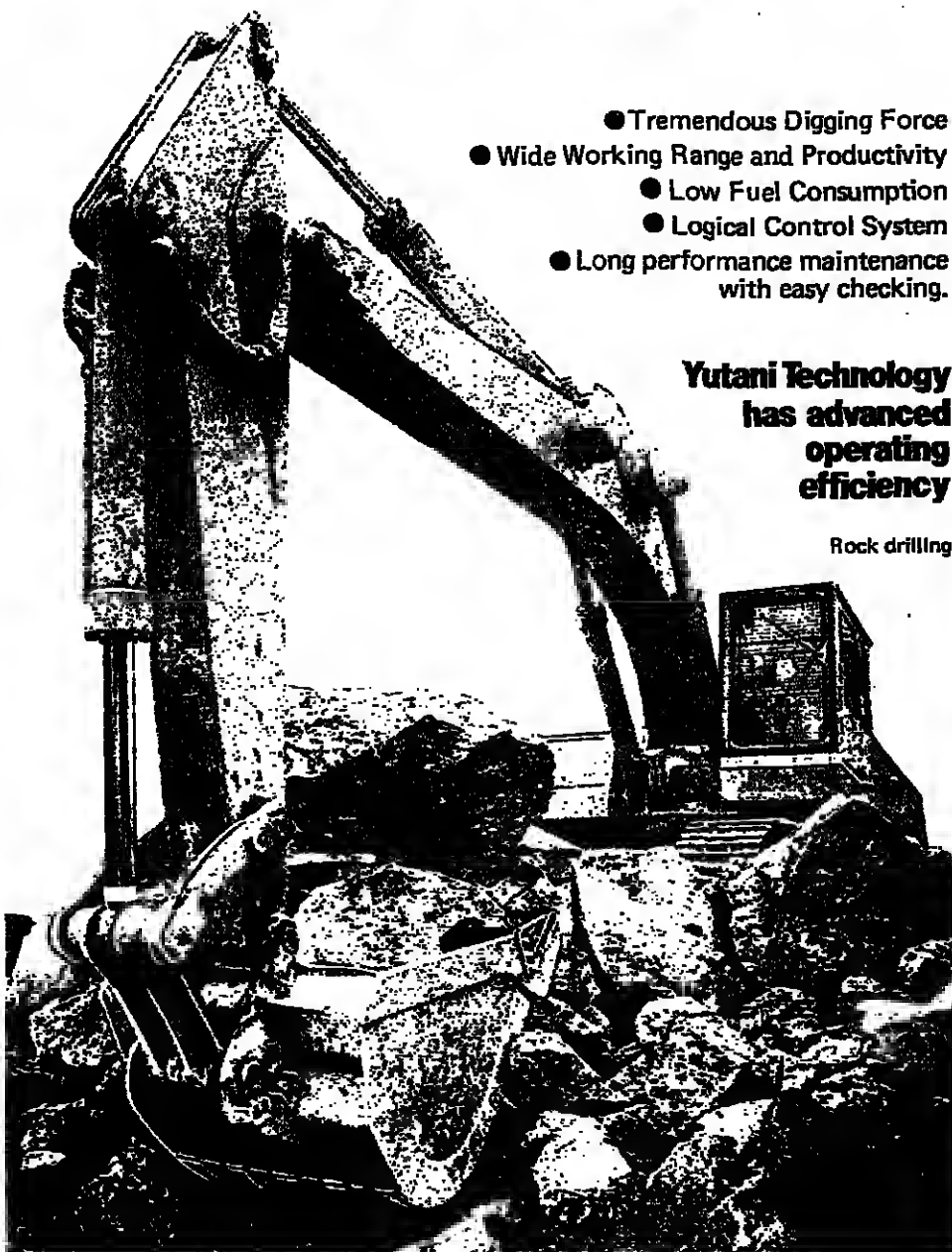
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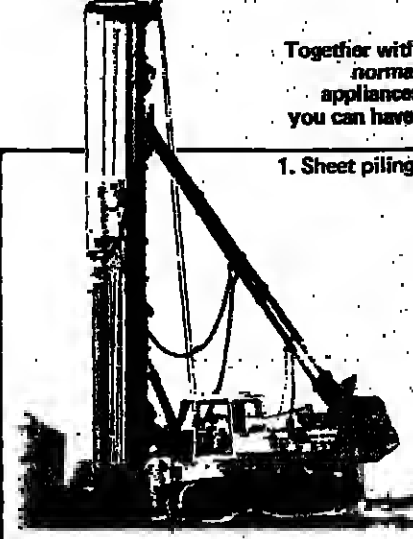
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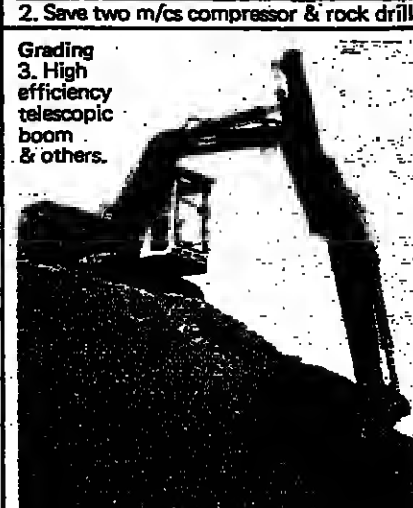
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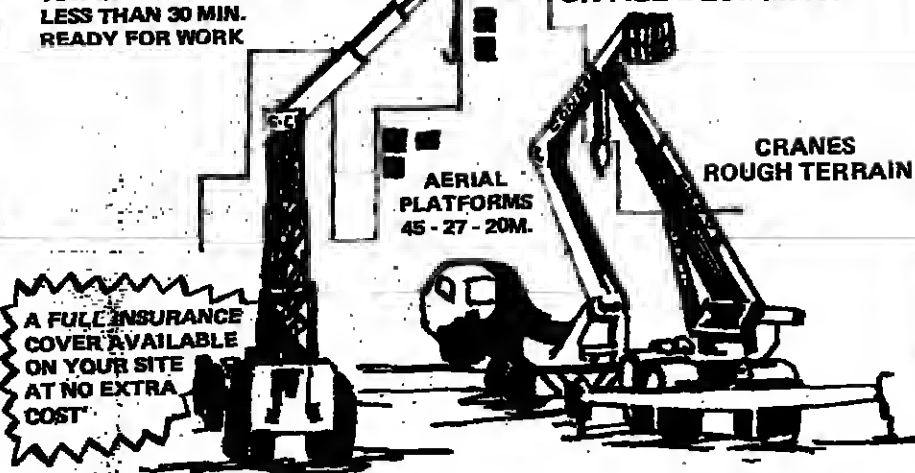
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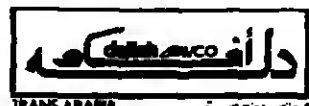
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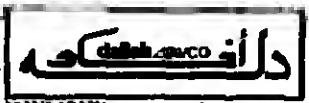


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Local sources said officials banned sales of gasoline and alcohol and use of private cars, closed restaurants and snack bars and threatened violators with "forceful" measures in an effort to stop the rioting.

The warning means police will enforce the bans with tough tactics, but stops short of implying use of firearms, informed sources said. Witnesses said police fought rioters without carrying firearms Wednesday and Thursday.

Police shot and killed two workers and wounded 12 other persons, three seriously, during protests marking the second anniversary of Solidarity Tuesday. The riots in Lublin and 54 cities across Poland, which claimed four persons, were the worst since martial law began.

Twelve police officers were also injured in Lublin Tuesday, but by Friday there were no new official reports of more injuries on either side. Police blocked roads leading into Lublin at check-points 8 kilometers out of the city.

The dead men were identified by local sources as Andrzej Trajkowski, 32, and Mieczyslaw Pozniak, 25, both workers. A sign in the city, pasted on the wall of a house said Pozniak would be buried Sunday.

Reliable sources said police clamped a 6 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew on youths under 18. Admits were restricted to their homes from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. In both Lublin and Wroclaw, where fighting also had erupted Tuesday, authorities kept telephone lines cut and communication was possible only by telex in both cities.

Fighting erupted Tuesday during a rally in Lublin's "Freedom Square." Witnesses described it as peaceful, but officials said it degenerated into bottle-and-rock-throwing and use of firebombs.

Fresh riots erupted Wednesday morning and lasted through the day, according to witnesses and the Polish news agency PAP, which said police could not quell the disturbances until midnight.

Witnesses said people claiming five persons died built five memorial sites on Thursday, decorating some with candles and flowers. They said fresh fighting erupted when police took them away. One witness said police used water cannon to wash away the flowers.

So far, authorities have handed sentences of one to one-and-a-half years to nine persons. Meanwhile, several people are reported in critical condition in hospitals including a Warsaw bus driver and two police officers.

## 4 dissidents arrested

WARSAW, Sept. 3 (APF) — Four leaders of the disbanded KOR social self-defense committee, including Jacek Kuron and Adam Michnick, have been arrested on a warrant issued by martial law authorities, PAP news agency reported Friday.

The four, who had been interned since martial law was proclaimed last Dec. 13, are accused of planning to overthrow the regime by force, PAP said. The charges can carry the death sentence, PAP added.

The other two men, founders like Kuron and Michnick of the organization, are Jan Litynski and Henryk Wujec. All four activists were interned at Bialolecka, near this capital.

PAP specified that the office of the military prosecutor had issued warrants for other KOR leaders who went underground after escaping arrest in the vast Dec. 13 raid on dissidents.

Charges against two other founding members of KOR, Jan Jozef Lipski and Miroslaw Chojacki, who went abroad, are still being readied with a view to trying them in absentia, PAP added.

The agency said that action against the KOR leaders was demanded by martial law authorities on the grounds that KOR had a foremost responsibility in last Tuesday's clashes across Poland in the wake of demonstrations upon the second anniversary of the Solidarity union.

## Pole commits suicide

LONDON, Sept. 3 (APF) — A 36-year-old Polish refugee and former Solidarity union militant was found hanging from a tree in a northwest London park Thursday, *The Times* newspaper reported Friday. The man was named as Lucjan Latala, a sailor from Gdynia who jumped ship in Britain last Dec. 13.

Latala left no message, but Scotland Yard was treating the matter as suicide while awaiting the coroner's report, *The Times* said. His landlady said that he was "desperate and anxious" over the fate of his wife and children in Poland.

She said he also had "a lot of problems readjusting here. He did not know the language. He did not have work, he had political troubles and he was quite depressed about not able to return to Poland."

## Danish minority cabinet resigns

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 3 (APF) — Danish Prime Minister Anker Joergensen tendered the formal resignation of his Social Democratic minority government to Queen Margrethe Friday, after failing to muster sufficient political support for a new economic program.

The queen and her advisers will now select one of the main opposition party leaders to begin negotiations over the formation of a new government. Joergensen and his party have decided to stay neutral during the early rounds of talks, and will not propose any candidates to the queen.

Poul Schluter, Conservative Party leader, was tipped Friday to be asked to form a non-Socialist government, either alone or in coalition with the Liberals and other smaller parties on the right.

Thursday night, Schluter stated his preference for a Conservative-Liberal coalition, which Liberal Party leader Henning Chibphersen said he favored a broader coalition government with a working majority in parliament.



NEW BOMBER: The low-supersonic B-1B international bomber of the U.S. Air Force arrives at the Farnborough (England) airshow Thursday. The aircraft is intended to replace the aging B-52 bombers. It has a significantly increased payload and greater range, and is expected to penetrate the most sophisticated enemy defenses well into the 1990s.

## Farnborough air show to feature new Boeing

FARNBOROUGH, England, Sept. 3 (APF) — The spinoff from the Falklands War will dominate the military side of the Farnborough airshow opening next Monday.

On the civil side, the rivalry between Boeing and the European Airbus consortium will be the underlying issue. This week-long event, which takes place every two years, is run by the Society of British Aerospace Companies Ltd.

A boost in military orders is generally thought likely for British industry and the British Aerospace Company in particular. But the show will be flying through low cloud as far as civil aviation goes, if the trend at the Hanover spring event is anything to go by.

Some 400 exhibitors from a score of countries are taking part in the Farnborough show this year. There will be 150 planes, about a third of them new to this event.

The newcomers include the Airbus A-30 and its direct rivals the new Boeing 757 and 767. Others are the British Aerospace 146 for regional transport, the new generation Dassault-Breguet Atlantic and the Rockwell International B-1.

Military experts and the general public are sure to converge on two exhibits from the Falklands War: Britain's Sea Harrier vertical take off plane and the French Super-Etendard — minus Exocet missiles, after the *Daily Express* came out with the shock headline this week: "Exocet for sale in Britain."

But anti-missile systems are of equal concern to the experts now. Plessey has already unveiled a new radar system designed to foil ship-sinking missiles such as the Exocet.

The airliner tussle between Boeing and Airbus-industrie is being followed keenly. Both groups aim primarily at the market for short and medium haul planes taking 200 to 250 passengers. Industry estimates put the market for such aircraft at 1,500 over the coming 12 years. Business lies ahead, too, for planes taking 150 persons, in the view of many executives in this sector.

Consequently a decision on launching the Airbus A-320 is expected, following the recent deal between Airbus-industrie and De Havilland of Canada which may participate in building the new plane.

Aircraft engines are providing a subsidiary area of conflict. One big unknown is the choice of power plant for the new generation A-320.

## Seychelles confirms Tanzania aid

VICTORIA, Seychelles, Sept. 3 (APF) — The defense minister of this Indian Ocean republic confirmed Friday that Tanzanian troops were flown in to help crush a two-day army mutiny here last month.

The statement by Col. Ogilvy Berlouis, who is also armed forces chief, was the first by the government acknowledging the Tanzanian role. He said two plane loads of Tanzanian soldiers arrived early Aug. 18, the second day of the rebellion, to help put it down.

Tanzanian forces also had helped mop up after the Nov. 25, 1981, coup attempt by white foreign mercenaries, led by Irish-born Col. Michael "Mad Mike" Hoare.

Berlouis did not say how many members of the Seychelles Defense Force were being held but said all those based at the Union Vale Camp, where the mutiny began, were still undergoing interrogation. The Defense Force is estimated to have a strength of between 650 and 800.

The defense minister also disclosed that one mutineer escaped from army headquarters after being captured and was still at large. Nine persons, including five mutineers, were killed in the uprising.

## 30 passengers taken ill

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 3 (APF) — Thirty passengers on a South African Airways flight from Lisbon to Johannesburg were taken ill with food poisoning, and three were rushed to hospital after the aircraft landed here early Friday.

An airline spokesman said that the three were two children — described as being "dehydrated" by their ordeal — and a man. All 30 had been treated by cabin crew after they were taken ill in mid-air, and the remaining 27 were able to proceed to their various destinations.

The spokesman said it was not yet clear when the passengers had first fallen ill. They had been served their first large meal Thursday night. The Department of Health would release results of tests conducted on those affected by the food poisoning later, the spokesman added.

## Floods hit 30m Indians

NEW DELHI, Sept. 3 (R) — More than 30 million persons in four Indian states have been affected by heavy monsoon flooding, according to reports reaching New Delhi on Friday. Troops and medical teams are carrying out major flood relief operations in northern and eastern parts of the country, including helicopter food drops to stranded villagers.

The chief minister of India's eastern state of Orissa, J.B. Patnaik, said the floods in his region were the worst in living memory. Some 10 million villagers in seven of Orissa's 13 districts were affected by floodwaters from the raging Mahanadi River, he told reporters. Central government officials from New Delhi toured Orissa's stricken areas Friday to assess damage and food requirements.

State-run All India Radio said 1,000 villages in the eastern state of Bihar had been hit, affecting nine million persons.

In the northern states of Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh, waters from the Ganges and Yamuna rivers have flooded the homes and land of millions more villagers.

## Chinese party to fight opposition mercilessly

PEKING, Sept. 3, (APF) — The Chinese Communist Party is to intensify its campaign to defeat the country's crisis of confidence and indicated it would fight opposition mercilessly.

Party Chairman Hu Yaobang, the man closest to the country's strongman, Deng Xiaoping, demanded a vigorous indictment of "anti-Socialist elements" and lumped political dissenters together with common criminals.

"They are the enemies jeopardizing the edifice of socialism... Such destructive elements must be severely punished by law," Hu said, according to New China News Agency reports Friday on the Wednesday opening of the congress, which is to formally set up the succession to 78-year-old Deng Xiaoping.

The agency added that senior military leaders had expressed their "full support" for the pragmatic direction taken by Deng and the party leadership which is to succeed him.

Diplomatic observers attached particular importance to statements which the agency attributed to senior military personnel, as the People's Liberation Army (PLA) was considered some years ago to have been one of the focus points of opposition to Deng.

Among the army officials mentioned by the agency who had lent their support to the government's policies was commander of the strategic region of Shenyang on the Soviet border, Gen. Li Desheng, who was regarded as being one of the most traditional Maoists of all the PLA officers.

The support of men associated with Deng like Defense Minister Geng Biao and chief of staff Gen. Yang Dezhi was more predictable.

Although Deng seems about to enter semi-retirement — Hu, 67, and Zhao Ziyang, 63, are expected to formally assume the leadership of the party through the formation at the congress of a ruling secretariat — it is generally thought he would remain commander in chief of the PLA.

The PLA is the biggest army in the world numbering some 4 million men.

In his massive report, Chairman Hu hinted broadly at the existing national crisis of confidence in China, rejecting the opinion that communism was "a vague illusion," "without any basis in fact."

In recent years, the press had warned of the problem with increasing urgency, recognizing even that the regime had lost its popularity after being associated with the bloody disturbances of the Cultural Revolution, triggered by Chairman Mao to retrieve power that was slipping away.

Official Chinese commentaries were equally vehement in saying that only the Communist regime was capable of carrying out the development of China.

## Athens talks cover Mideast

ATHENS, Sept. 3 (Agencies) — French President Francois Mitterrand left Athens Friday for northern Greece ending a two-day official visit here.

Mitterrand was to spend three days on the Sithonia peninsula in northern Greece at the home of a Greek shipowner and friend of Greek President Constantinos Karamanlis, sources here said.

The official visit, during which Mitterrand met with Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu and President Karamanlis, was somewhat eclipsed by the arrival from Beirut this week of Yasser Arafat, chief of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The French president held talks Thursday with Papandreu on bilateral topics and the Middle East crisis.

The two Socialist leaders met for more than four hours, first at the premier's office at the Marousi Palace and then with Greek and French cabinet ministers. The talks continued over lunch at a seaside hotel in Vostitsani, government sources said.

Culture Minister Melina Mercouri, Health Minister Paraskevas Aygiorgis, Youth Minister Costas Laliotis and Welfare Minister Eleftherios Vervakis met with their French counterparts, Jack Lang, Jacques Relitte, Edwige Avice and Pierre Bergevoy, a spokesman said.

The meetings outlined common aims in improving health and welfare services in Greece and France, including providing better medical service, a government spokesman said.

Mercouri and Lang discussed a proposed new cultural agreement between the two countries for cooperation in television and theater production, the spokesman said.

## Kenya lifts curfew in capital

NAIROBI, Sept. 3 (APF) — The Kenyan government Friday lifted the curfew which had been in force here since the Aug. 1 coup attempt against President Daniel Arap Moi.

Kenya radio said in its midday broadcast that the curfew was being lifted "owing to the improved security situation" in Nairobi and the whole country at large.

"The lifting of the curfew in Nairobi means that the government is fully satisfied that the security of the country has returned to normal after the recent disturbances," the radio said, and asked people to go about their businesses as usual.

The announcement added that according to government records only 25 of the Kenyan Air Force personnel involved in the coup attempt had not been accounted for. They were now living as fugitives on the run and were no longer a threat to the security of the country, the radio said, but it appealed to people to be vigilant and report to the police if they sighted the fugitives.

The government imposed a 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. curfew for six days both here and in Nanyuki 200 kilometers to the north soon after the coup attempt was put down. This was later eased to 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., but after another week the restrictions in Nanyuki were lifted completely, while the Nairobi curfew was cut by two hours at night.



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Jakarta	21	70	32	90	clear	Sydney	15	59	26	79	clear
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